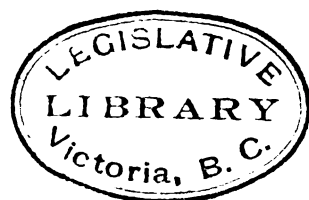


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PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province; and to all whom it may concern—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. MCCREIGHT, } **W**HEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice and
Attorney-General. } consent of Our Executive Council of Our said Province of
British Columbia, to prorogue the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, till the
TWELFTH day of JUNE, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two

NOW KNOW YE that We do for that end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby prorogue the Legislative Assembly accordingly, until the TWELFTH day of JUNE, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the TWELFTH day of JUNE next, you meet Us in Our Legislature, or Parliament, of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESS, the Honourable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Eleventh day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,

Registrar Supreme Court.

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CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Wednesday, the Twelfth day of June next, to have been commenced and held, and every of you,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. MCCREIGHT, } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of the
Attorney-General. } Province of British Columbia, stands called for Wednesday,
 the Twelfth day of June next, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and
 constrained to appear:

NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining, you and each of you, that on MONDAY, the TWELFTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us in Our Legislature, or Parliament, of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed.
 WITNESS, the Honourable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Twenty-third day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,
 Registrar Supreme Court.

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PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Monday, the Twelfth day of August next, to have been commenced and held, and every of you,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. McCREIGHT, } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of the
Attorney-General. } Province of British Columbia, stands called for Monday, the
Twelfth day of August next, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and
constrained to appear :

NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining, you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the ELEVENTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us in Our Legislature, or Parliament, of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF. We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESS, the Honourable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Twenty-third day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,

Registrar Supreme Court.

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JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Friday, the Eleventh day of October next, to have been commenced and held, and every of you,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. MCCREIGHT, } **WHEREAS** the meeting of the Legislature, or Parliament, of the
Attorney-General. } Province of British Columbia, stands called for Friday, the
 Eleventh day of October next, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and
 constrained to appear :

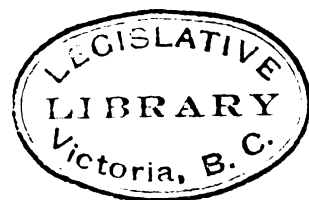
NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining, you and each of you, that on **TUESDAY**, the **SEVENTEENTH** day of **DECEMBER** next, you meet Us in Our Legislature, or Parliament, of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, for the **DISPATCH OF BUSINESS**, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESS, the Honourable **JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH**, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this **Eighteenth** day of **September**, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,

Registrar Supreme Court.



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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
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SESSION 1872-3.

Tuesday, 17th December, 1872.

2.30 P.M.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the first Parliament of the Province of British Columbia, for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Honorable Joseph William Trutch, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia, dated the 18th day of September, 1872.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House at 2.30 p.m., took his seat in the Speaker's Chair.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

In calling you again together for the despatch of the public business, I rejoice to be able to congratulate you on the highly favourable prospects of our Province. Although the year now rapidly drawing to a close has not witnessed any marked increase in the population of the country, it has been characterised by undeniable progress in many of the industrial resources of this Province. The Dominion Government has also prosecuted the preliminary surveys for the Canadian Pacific Railway, with such energy and success, that if any doubt ever existed as to the certainty of the work of construction being undertaken within the time limited in the Terms of Union, it can now no longer be entertained.

Railway communication with the Eastern Provinces will supply the great desideratum of British Columbia; but long before the line shall have been completed, this Province will have derived benefits of the most substantial character from the work of construction alone, and the Canadian Pacific Railroad will prove in many ways one of the most active and efficient agents in settling the Province.

I congratulate you on the fact, that far from the prognostications of the failure of Responsible Government in this Province, which were indulged in at the time of Union having been verified, the administration of public affairs has been in the main satisfactory to the people in general.

The announcement which I have been officially directed to make of the decision of His Majesty the Emperor of Germany with respect to the disputed water boundary between Her Majesty's Possessions and those of the United States on this Coast, has no doubt been received by you, as it has been by myself, in common with all British Colum-

bians, with feelings of profound regret. His Majesty having been good enough to burden himself as Arbitrator with the responsible task of settling this dispute has, in the exercise of his judgment, decided the question adversely to our interests. I have no doubt you fully appreciate the nature and extent of the injury which the unfavourable termination of the case has inflicted upon this Province and the whole Dominion, but your sense of its importance will, I believe, be very much mitigated by the consideration that the final adjustment of the dispute will materially contribute to the permanent preservation of friendly and harmonious feeling between our neighbors and ourselves. In this view of the matter, the importance of the loss is much diminished.

An approximate statement of the Revenue and Expenditure since the beginning of the year, together with Estimates of the probable Revenue and proposed expenditure for the next fiscal year, will be placed before you at an early date. In framing the Estimates, every possible effort has been made to reduce the cost of the administration of the public business to the lowest practicable limit, beyond which reduction of Expenditure ceases to be justifiable, as it necessarily involves weakness and inefficiency in the management of public affairs.

The clauses in the Constitution Act respecting the Indemnity of Members of your Honorable House having been repealed during last Session, a Bill will be submitted to you for the purpose of providing an Indemnity and Mileage allowance.

I have much pleasure in congratulating you on the success that has attended the working of the Public Schools Act passed during the last Session of the House, but it has been found that, notwithstanding the liberal provision for the education of the youth of the Province, comparatively few of the Children of school age attend the Public Schools. To obviate this very much to be regretted circumstance, a measure will be submitted to you, having for its object the more general attendance of pupils at the Schools.

In accordance with a Resolution of this Honorable House, a site has been selected as the most suitable for a Dry Dock at Esquimalt, the necessary borings have been made, and plans and specifications of the proposed work prepared, accompanied by the fullest information that could be obtained on the subject. Tracings of these plans, and copies of the specifications, have been placed on exhibition in the office of the Agent-General in London, and of the Immigration Agent at San Francisco; and Tenders for the construction of the Dock have been invited by advertisement in English, Canadian, and American Papers. If no Tender should be received by the 31st December, Instant, which can be prudently recommended to the approval of your Honorable Body, a scheme will be submitted to you to secure the building of the Dock.

A Bill will be submitted to you substituting for the existing Land Laws a measure on a sounder and more liberal basis, which it is believed will be more satisfactory to the Public and more conducive to the speedy settlement of the Province. Provision will also be made for accurate and extensive Surveys of those Districts in the Province most available for settlement.

A Bill will be laid before you amending the "Municipality Act, 1872," so as to meet the requirements of the Province.

I have observed with regret, that large tracts of land, well adapted to the growth of cereals and other products, have been hitherto unavailable in some localities, owing to the want of drainage and dyking, and in others through want of irrigation. A Bill will be submitted to you which, without creating a permanent charge upon the public revenue, will greatly increase the area of land available for agricultural purposes by providing the means of drainage, dyking, and irrigation.

The extremely difficult subject of immigration has received my earnest consideration. In consequence of the Railway clause of the terms of union preventing free grants of lands and other equally insuperable difficulties, no practical result in the way of introducing new settlers into the Province has been attained.

Through the energetic labors of the Agents in London and San Francisco, however, much attention has been drawn towards the Province, and it is confidently anticipated that, when the difficulties just adverted to shall have been removed by Legislative action, a vigorous and successful policy will be inaugurated.

The "Mineral Ordinance, 1869," has been found ill adapted to the requirements of the Province, and you will therefore be invited to make such amendments thereto as will render it more useful.

A Bill will be introduced and recommended to your acceptance, providing for the taking of votes by Ballot, in all Elections of Members of Your Honorable House.

A Bill will also be introduced for the purpose of paying Juries in criminal cases a proper per diem allowance.

The Province is on the eve of rapid and energetic strides in the path of development, and consequent prosperity. We are backed by the most ardent wishes of the Dominion Government. We shall receive not merely their moral support, but material aid.

Peace and prosperity reign within our borders. Much, however, will depend upon the wisdom and patriotism of this House.

I am persuaded that your best consideration will be bestowed upon the important matters that will claim your attention, and I fervently pray that, under the blessing of Almighty God, your wise and patriotic counsels may result in the advancement of the Province and the welfare of the People.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during the recess, he had received the following notifications of vacancies which had occurred in the representation of the Electoral Districts of *Cariboo* and *Lillooet*, and that he had issued Warrants to the Registrar of the Supreme Court, to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in the present Assembly, for the said Electoral Districts:—

"I, *Cornelius Booth*, a Member of the House of Assembly, representing therein the District of *Cariboo*, do hereby declare that I resign my seat as such Member.

"Witness my hand and seal, the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1872.

"(Signed) "COLNELIUS BOOTH."

"To the Hon. James Trimble, Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Province of British Columbia.

"SIR,—We hereby notify you, that a vacancy has been created in the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, by the death of *Andrew T. Jamieson*, one of its Members.

"Given under our hands and seals, at Victoria, B. C., this thirtieth day of November, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

"Attest,

"DAVID W. HIGGINS.

"JOHN ROBSON, M. L. A.,

"ROBERT SMITH, M. L. A."

He also informed the House, that the Clerk had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court, the following Certificate:—

"VICTORIA, 16th December, 1872.

"This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fourth day of April, last past, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Cariboo*, in the Province of British Columbia, *Henry Maynard Ball*, Esquire, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of *Cariboo* in the present Assembly, in the room and stead of *Cornelius Booth*, Esquire, who since his Election as a Representative of the said Electoral District of *Cariboo*, hath resigned his seat, *John George Barnston*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the 22nd day of the month of July, 1872, which is now lodged of record in my office.

"RICHARD WOODS,

"Registrar, Supreme Court."

John George Barnston, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Cariboo*, was sworn in by the Clerk, *Charles Good*, Esquire, appointed a Commissioner by His Excellency for that purpose; and, having subscribed the oath, took his seat.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *McCreight*, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* seconding,—

Ordered, That leave be granted to bring in a Bill to extend the "Public Works Act, 1872," and to promote Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, which was received and read first time.

Ordered to be read second time this day week.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *McCreight*, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, having been first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

The Honorable Mr. *McCreight* moved, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* seconding,—

That a Standing Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders be appointed, to consist of Messieurs *McCreight*, *Beaven*, *Armstrong*, *Booth*, *Robson*, and *Walkem*.

Motion negatived, two days' notice, as required by the Standing Orders, not having been given.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* laid on the Table the Report of *Thomas A. Bulkley*, Esquire, Chief Engineer to the Government, on the Supply of Water to *Victoria*.

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 18th December, 1872.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Petition of the *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade.

By the Honorable Mr. *McCreight*, the Petition of the Mayor and Council of the City of *Victoria*.

By Mr. *Humphreys*, the Petition of the inhabitants of the District of *Lillooet*.

The Order of the Day for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor having been read,—

Mr. *Duck* moved, seconded by Mr. *Barnston*,—

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of this Session, and further to inform His Excellency that we are gratified at being assured of the highly favorable prospects of our Province, and that although the year now rapidly drawing to a close has not witnessed any marked increase in the population of the country, it has been characterised by undeniable progress in many of the industrial resources of this Province.

That we concur with His Excellency in the opinion that the Dominion Government has prosecuted the preliminary surveys for the Canadian Pacific Railway with such energy and success that if any doubt ever existed as to the certainty of the work of construction being undertaken within the time limited in the Terms of Union, it can now no longer be entertained.

That we cannot doubt that Railway communication with the Eastern Provinces will supply the great desideratum of British Columbia; long before the line shall have been completed this Province will have derived benefits of the most substantial character from the work of construction alone, and that the Canadian Pacific Railroad will prove in many ways one of the most efficient agents in settling the Province.

That we receive with pleasure His Excellency's congratulations on the fact that, far

from the prognostications of the failure of Responsible Government in this Province, which were indulged in at the time of Union having been verified, the administration of public affairs has been in the main satisfactory to the people in general.

That we cannot fail to regret the announcement which His Excellency has been officially directed to make of the decision of His Majesty the Emperor of Germany with respect to the disputed water boundary between Her Majesty's Possessions and those of the United States on this Coast, that, His Majesty, having been good enough to burden himself as Arbitrator with the responsible task of settling this dispute has, in the exercise of his judgment, decided the question adversely to our interests.

That we fully appreciate the nature and extent of the injury which the unfavorable termination of the case has inflicted upon this Province and the whole Dominion, but we concur with His Excellency in thinking that the sense of its importance will be very much mitigated by the consideration that the final adjustment of the dispute will materially contribute to the permanent preservation of friendly and harmonious feelings between our neighbours and ourselves, and that in this view of the matter the importance of the loss is much diminished.

That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that an approximate statement of the Revenue and Expenditure since the beginning of the year, together with Estimates of the probable Revenue and proposed Expenditure for the next fiscal year, will be placed before us at an early date, and we are pleased to gather the assurance conveyed by His Excellency that in framing the Estimates every possible effort has been made to reduce the cost of the administration of the public business to the lowest practicable limit beyond which reduction of expenditure ceases to be justifiable, involving, as it necessarily does, weakness and inefficiency in the management of public affairs.

That we learn with pleasure that the question of Indemnity to Members and that of Mileage, will be provided for by statute.

That we concur in His Excellency's views as to the success that has attended the working of the Public Schools Act, passed last Session, though we regret to learn that it has been found that notwithstanding the liberal provision for the education of the youth of the Province, comparatively few of the children of school age attend the Public Schools; the measure to obviate this evil which His Excellency proposes to submit to us will receive our approval.

That we are gratified to learn that in accordance with a Resolution of our body of last Session, a site has been selected as the most suitable for a Dry Dock at Esquimalt, the necessary borings made, and plans and specifications of the proposed work prepared, accompanied by the fullest information that could be obtained on the subject, and that tracings of these plans and copies of the specifications have been placed on exhibition in the office of the Agent-General in London, and of the Immigration Agent at San Francisco, and further that Tenders for the construction of the Dock have been invited by advertisement in English, Canadian, and American papers.

That the assurance conveyed by His Excellency that if no Tender be received by the 31st December instant, which can prudently be recommended to us, a scheme will be submitted to us to secure the building of the Dock, is most satisfactory.

That we cordially approve of the introduction of a measure substituting for the existing Land Laws one on a sounder and more liberal basis, which will doubtless be more satisfactory to the Public and more conducive to the speedy settlement of the Province, and there can be little doubt as to the wisdom of the provision proposed by His Excellency for accurate and extensive surveys of those districts in the Province most available for settlement.

That the Bill which His Excellency promises shall be laid before us, amending the Municipality Act, 1872, so as to meet the requirements of the Province, will meet with our approval.

That we are aware of the loss that has accrued to the Province in consequence of large tracts of land, well adapted to the growth of cereals and other products, having been hitherto unavailable in some localities owing to the want of drainage and dyking, and in others through want of irrigation. We trust the measure which His Excellency proposes will, without creating a permanent charge upon the public revenue, greatly increase the area of land available for agricultural purposes by providing the means of drainage, dyking, and irrigation.

That we are not unaware of the extreme difficulties attendant on the subject of Immigration, and that in consequence of the Railway Clause of the Terms of Union preventing

free grants of land, and of other insuperable difficulties no practical result in the way of introducing new settlers into the Province has been attained, but we are glad the subject has received His Excellency's earnest consideration and that through the energetic labors of the agents in London and San Francisco, much attention has been drawn towards the Province and that it is confidently anticipated that when the difficulties just adverted to shall have been removed by Legislative action a vigorous and successful policy will be inaugurated.

That we are aware of the unsuitableness of many clauses of the "Mineral Ordinance, 1869," to the requirements of the Province, and we shall give the fullest consideration to any amendments which will render the Act more useful.

That the Bill proposed by His Excellency, providing for the taking of votes by Ballot in all Elections of Members of our House will, no doubt, recommend itself to the general approval of the Province, as well as that for properly remunerating Juries in criminal cases.

That we rejoice to concur with His Excellency, in his belief that the Province is on the eve of rapid and energetic strides in the path of development and consequent prosperity, and that we are backed by the most ardent wishes of the Dominion Government, and that we shall receive not merely their moral support, but their material aid.

That while we admit, with hearty satisfaction, that peace and prosperity reign within our borders, we feel deeply that much will depend upon our wisdom and patriotism; and we trust that His Excellency's persuasion that our best consideration will be bestowed upon the important matters claiming our attention, will prove well founded.

That we join in His Excellency's prayer that, under the blessing of Almighty God, our counsels may result in the advancement of the Province, and the welfare of the People.

Moved by Mr. *Humphreys*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, and *Resolved*,—

That the question of the consideration of the reply to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech be postponed till to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

Thursday, 19th December, 1872.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

The Mayor and Corporation of *Victoria*, praying that a Bill may be passed enabling them to bring in Water.

The *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade, praying for a Bill to protect them in their duties.

The Inhabitants of *Lillooet*, praying for a Cattle Trail from *Lillooet* to *Bute* or *Burrard Inlet*.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Hughes*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for Returns of all Public Lands reserved; such Returns to state the area and object of each reserve, and, in the case of Indian reserves, the number of Indians in respect of whom such reserve may have been set apart.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for Returns of all Public Works undertaken during the present year; such Returns to indicate what Works have been done under contract, and what by day labour, the cost of each, and the amount paid for superintendence under the latter head.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Robinson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for Returns of causes tried during the present year before any of the Courts of the country where a Clerk of the Bench or Records is stationed, and showing generally the business transacted by such Clerks of the Bench or Records.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Beaven*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of correspondence between this Government and the Government at Ottawa, relative to the four Acts of last Session which were reserved for the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor-General.

On motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for Returns of all Fees received during the year 1871 and the expired part of 1872, by the Registrars of the Supreme Court, for their own use and benefit.

On motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Cogan*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return be laid before this House, showing the total amount of Road Taxes assessed in 1872, in each Electoral District; also the amount expended in 1872 from Road Tax Fund in each Electoral District.

On motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Cogan*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return be laid before this House, showing the Total amount of Fees taken by the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Province, in 1869, 1870, 1871, and 1872 respectively; also the name of every officer of the Court, and the sums paid to each of them as a reward for his services, in each of the said years.

On the motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Booth*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return may be made to this House, as soon as possible, showing the total actual or approximate number of acres of land held in each Electoral District, on December 1st, 1872, by purchase, pre-emption, lease, and reserve; distinguishing the total acreage held under each tenure in each Electoral District; and also distinguishing the total number of acres held in each Electoral District for agricultural, grazing, mining, and timber purposes, respectively.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, Mr. *Ask* seconding,—

That Section 28 of the Standing Orders be amended, by adding after the word "refers," on the fifth line, "and the substance of all replies made by Ministers of the Crown to questions put to them by Members, of which two days' notice has been given, shall be written in ink, and handed to the Clerk of the House, and entered in the Journals of the Session."

Mr. *De Cosmos* moved, in amendment, That the following words be added at end:—
"Provided that it be not otherwise ordered by the House."

Amendment put and carried.

Motion as amended put and carried.

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Ministry the following question:—

What is their object in reserving Lands throughout the Province, and especially in the valley of the Chilcotin River; and, if for Indian purposes, whether such reservations were demanded by the Federal Government, and for what consideration?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows:—

"In consequence of information received by the Government, of a disturbance of a serious character, having taken place between the Indians of the Chilcotin Valley, and one *John Salmon*, who had pre-empted land in their midst; and, in view of the safety of intending settlers, and of the Railway parties who were engaged on the survey between Bute Inlet and Alexandria, and in considering the fact that these parties were, comparatively speaking, defenceless,—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the request of the Government, dispatched Mr. O'Reilly to confer with the Indians, and ascertain the reasons of their hostile attitude. Mr. O'Reilly, shortly after his return to Victoria, sent in a Report, dated the 20th August, 1872, recommending the Government not to allow any further 'pre-emptions in the Chilcotin country until the Reserves are laid out,

'in order to prevent the possibility of collision between the Indians and intending settlers.'

"The following notice was therefore given to the public, on the 30th August, 1872:

'The whole of the land in the Valley of the Chilcotin River, extending back on either side to the hill tops, is reserved from the operation of the "Land Ordinance, 1870," until further notice, and pending the location and allotment to the Indians of the lands to be set apart for their use and enjoyment.'

"Such Reserve has not been made at the request of the Dominion Government, but for the above reasons, and also in order to fulfil the stipulations, as to Indian Reserves, contained in the 13th Section of the Terms of Union with Canada.

"Under this Section, it seems to be incumbent upon the Dominion Government to make application for such tracts of land as they may require for the Indians, within, of course, a fair and reasonable time. This application I have reason to believe will shortly be made. The Indian Agent in this Province was addressed upon the subject, and urged, shortly after his appointment to the position, to take steps to have the Reserves laid out as speedily as possible."

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned debate on the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,

The first, second, and third paragraphs were read and agreed to.

The fourth paragraph having been read,—

Mr. *Humphreys* moved, Mr. *Bunster* seconding,—

That all words in Section 4, after "That" be left out, and the following inserted in their place:—

"Whilst entertaining the fullest confidence in that form of administration known as Responsible Government, still we believe that the administration of public affairs has not been satisfactory to the people in general."

On the Amendment having been put, it was carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Cogan.</i> —11.
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>De Cosmos,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Holbrook,</i>	<i>Mc Creight,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>
<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Barnston.</i> —10.
<i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>		

The fourth paragraph, as amended, having been put, it was carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>
<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Cogan.</i> —11.
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>De Cosmos,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Holbrook,</i>	<i>Mc Creight,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>
<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Barnston.</i> —10.
<i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>		

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, the debate on the Address to the Lieutenant-Governor was adjourned till 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 20th December, 1872.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, Mr. *Booth* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return may be laid before this House, showing the number of Pre-emptions made in each Electoral District in 1872.

On the motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, Mr. *Booth* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return be laid before this House, showing the number of persons in the service and pay of the Province, on December 1st, 1872; their respective names, duties, residences; and their respective salaries, fees, and allowances; distinguishing permanent from temporary officers.

Mr. *Smith* moved, Mr. *Robinson* seconding,—

That whereas certain sums of money were voted last Session for Public Work in the Province; and whereas the appropriations and the work have failed to connect; therefore, it is the wish of this House that all Public Works, hereafter, shall be done by contract.

Mr. *Armstrong* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Hughes* seconding,—

That all the words after "That" to the word "therefore" be struck out, and the words "when practicable," after the word "contract," be inserted.

Amendment put and carried.

Motion as amended, put and carried.

On the motion of Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Robson* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will recommend to the Dominion Government that a uniform tariff of twenty-five cents, all over the Mainland of British Columbia, for despatches containing not less than ten words, be adopted.

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Ministry the following question:—

Whether the Dominion Government have made over to the Provincial Government the Reservations of Lands and Public Buildings throughout the Province?

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson* replied as follows:—

"Application has been made to the Dominion Government for an appropriation of such of the public reserves and buildings to the use of the Provincial Government and Legislature as are necessary, and plans have been forwarded. No reply has yet been received."

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Whether the public statement made, that he (the Premier) has offered the Member for *Nanaimo* a seat in the Cabinet, with the Government pledged to create a portfolio for him, is correct? and, if so, as to the date of such offer?

The Honorable Mr. *McCreight* replied as follows:—

"I have my answer; and, whilst, either on ground of public policy or as a breach of personal confidence, an answer might be refused, yet I cannot have the slightest hesitation in giving an answer if the Honorable Member does not object.

"In order to answer this question fully, it is necessary that I should inform the House that I had several conversations with the Honorable Member for *Nanaimo*, on the general subject of his support to the Government.

"One took place on the 24th November, 1871, when I offered the Honorable Member for *Nanaimo* a seat as an unofficial Member of the Executive Council. He declined to accept a seat without a portfolio. This I positively stated I could not give him.

"Another conversation took place on the 5th day of December, 1871, when the Honorable Member agreed to give my Government his independent support in and out of the House, in consideration that I would give him a political situation if I should think it afterwards advisable to create an additional portfolio. If I should not think it

afterwards advisable to create an additional portfolio, I was to give him an appointment which would be fair to him and to the Province.

"On the 4th of January, 1872, I had another conversation with the Honorable Member for *Nanaimo*, when he requested my permission to let him state in a leading article in the *Colonist* newspaper that I had offered him a portfolio. This I informed him I could not consent to, as it was contrary to the fact.

"Since that time no negotiations have taken place between the Member for *Nanaimo* and myself respecting any portfolio or appointment."

On the Order of the Day being read,

The Honorable Mr. *McCreight* stated to the House that, in consequence of the adverse vote of yesterday, the Government had tendered their resignation to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that they only held office till their successors were appointed, and that they did not propose to do any Government business in the House.

Then, on the motion of Mr. *Robinson*, the House adjourned.

Monday, 23rd December, 1872.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, Mr. *McCreight* seconded, and it was *Resolved*,—

That this House at its rising do adjourn to Monday, the 6th January, 1873.

The House then adjourned.

Monday, 6th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker announced that *John Roland Hett*, Esquire, had been appointed Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly, that he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court, the following certificate :—

"SUPREME COURT, BRITISH COLUMBIA,
"Registrar's Office,
"6th January, 1873.

"Whereas *Robert Beaven*, Esquire, one of the Members for the District of Victoria City, did on or shortly before the 24th December last accept office under the Crown, and did thereby vacate his seat for such District in the House of Assembly. And whereas on the said 24th day of December, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such District was duly issued to *Augustus F. Pemberton*, Esquire, the Returning Officer of the said District.

"Now I do hereby certify that on this 6th day of January, 1873, the said Writ has been duly returned to me by the said Returning Officer with his certificate attached thereto, whereby it appears that the said *Robert Beaven*, Esquire, has been under and by virtue of said Writ duly elected to be a Member of the House of Assembly for the said District.

"RICHARD WOODS,
"Registrar."

The Honorable *Robert Beaven*, a Member for the Electoral District of Victoria City, having been introduced by the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos*, to him was administered the Oath of Allegiance by *Charles Good*, Esquire, a Commissioner appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor, and the said Member having subscribed to the Oath took his seat.

Mr. *McCreight* presented the Petition of *T. L. Stahlschmidt* and others.
Read and *Ordered* to lie on the Table.

Mr. *Bunster* presented the Petition of *E. Sutro* and others.
Read and *Ordered* to lie on the Table.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Order of the Day be read.

The Order of the Day being read, the fifth paragraph of the Address was read and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Barnston,</i>	<i>Smithe,</i>
<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>McCreight,</i>	<i>Cogan.</i> —18.
<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Bunster,
Humphreys.—2.

The sixth, seventh, and eighth paragraphs were read and agreed to.

The ninth paragraph was read, and the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* moved, in amendment, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the word “approval,” at the end of the paragraph, be struck out, and the word “consideration” inserted in lieu thereof.

On the Amendment being put it was carried, and the paragraph as amended was agreed to.

The tenth paragraph was read and agreed to.

The eleventh paragraph was read, and the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* moved, in amendment, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the word “instant” be struck out of the second line of paragraph eleven, and the figures “1872” be inserted in lieu thereof.

On the Amendment being put it was carried, and the paragraph as amended was agreed to.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

That the following paragraph be inserted:—

“That we regret that His Excellency has made no allusion to the subject of a Modified Customs Tariff and Excise for this Province, a subject which is deemed among the most important that can occupy the attention of this House.”

On the Question being put it was lost on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>Semlin.</i> —4.
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NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>McCreight,</i>	<i>Smithe,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Cogan,</i>	<i>Barnston.</i> —16.

The twelfth paragraph was read and agreed to.

The thirteenth paragraph was read, and the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, in Amendment, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the word "approval" be struck out at the end of the last line of paragraph thirteen, and the word "consideration" be inserted in lieu thereof.

On the Amendment being put, it was carried, and the paragraph, as amended, was agreed to.

The fourteenth paragraph was read and agreed to.

The fifteenth paragraph was read, and the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, in Amendment, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,

That all the words in paragraph fifteen after "That" be struck out, and the following inserted in their place:—

"We are not unaware of the difficulties attendant on the subject of Immigration; and we are glad the question has received His Excellency's consideration. We also confidently trust that the difficulties may be removed, and a vigorous and successful Immigration policy inaugurated."

On the Amendment being put, it was carried, and the paragraph, as amended, was agreed to.

The sixteenth and seventeenth paragraphs were read and agreed to.

The eighteenth paragraph was read, and the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, in Amendment, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the words "to learn" be inserted after the word "and" at the commencement of the third line of the paragraph.

On the Amendment being put it was carried, and the paragraph, as amended, was agreed to.

The nineteenth and twentieth paragraphs were read and agreed to.

On the Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, thanking His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of the Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the above resolution be referred to a Select Committee composed as follows: The Honorable Attorney General, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, and Messrs. *Hunter* and *Semlin*.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, from the Select Committee, reported an Address, which read as follows:

To His Excellency JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, *Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

We further respectfully inform Your Excellency, that we are gratified at being assured of the highly favorable prospects of our Province, and that although the year now rapidly drawing to a close has not witnessed any marked increase in the population of the country, it has been characterised by undeniable progress in many of the industrial resources of this Province.

We concur with Your Excellency in the opinion that the Dominion Government has prosecuted the preliminary surveys for the Canadian Pacific Railway with such energy and success, that if any doubt ever existed as to the certainty of the work of construction being undertaken within the time limited in the Terms of Union, it can now no longer be entertained.

We cannot doubt that Railway communication with the Eastern Provinces will supply the great desideratum of British Columbia. Long before the line shall have been completed, this Province will have derived benefits of the most substantial character from the work of construction alone, and that the Canadian Pacific Railroad will prove in many ways one of the most efficient agents in settling the Province.

Whilst entertaining the fullest confidence in that form of administration known as Responsible Government, still we believe that the administration of public affairs has not been satisfactory to the people in general.

We cannot fail to regret the announcement which Your Excellency has been officially directed to make of the decision of His Majesty the Emperor of Germany, with respect to the disputed water boundary between Her Majesty's Possessions and those of the United States on this Coast: that, His Majesty, having been good enough to burden himself as Arbitrator with the responsible task of settling this dispute has, in the exercise of his judgment, decided the question adversely to our interests.

We fully appreciate the nature and extent of the injury which the unfavorable termination of the case has inflicted upon this Province and the whole Dominion, but we concur with Your Excellency in thinking that the sense of its importance will be very much mitigated by the consideration that the final adjustment of the dispute will materially contribute to the permanent preservation of friendly and harmonious feelings between our neighbors and ourselves, and that in this view of the matter the importance of the loss is much diminished.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that an approximate statement of the Revenue and Expenditure since the beginning of the year, together with Estimates of the probable Revenue and proposed Expenditure for the next fiscal year, will be placed before us at an early date, and we are pleased to gather the assurance conveyed by Your Excellency that in framing the Estimates every possible effort has been made to reduce the cost of the administration of the public business to the lowest practical limit, beyond which reduction of expenditure ceases to be justifiable, involving as it necessarily does, weakness and inefficiency in the management of public affairs.

We learn with pleasure that the question of Indemnity to Members and that of Mileage, will be provided for by statute.

We concur in Your Excellency's views as to the success that has attended the working of the Public Schools Act, passed last Session, though we regret to learn that it has been found that notwithstanding the liberal provision for the education of the youth of the Province, comparatively few of the children of school age attend the Public Schools; the measure to obviate this evil which Your Excellency proposes to submit to us will receive our consideration.

We are gratified to learn that, in accordance with a Resolution of our body of last Session, a site has been selected as the most suitable for a Dry Dock at Esquimalt, the necessary borings made, and plans and specifications of the proposed work prepared, accompanied by the fullest information that could be obtained on the subject; and that tracings of these plans and copies of the specifications have been placed on exhibition in the office of the Agent-General in London, and of the Immigration Agent at San Francisco, and further, that Tenders for the construction of the Dock have been invited by advertisement in English, Canadian, and American papers.

The assurance conveyed by Your Excellency that if no Tender be received by the 31st December, 1872, which can prudently be recommended to us, a scheme will be submitted to us to secure the building of the Dock, is most satisfactory.

We cordially approve of the introduction of a measure substituting for the existing Land Laws one on a sounder and more liberal basis, which will doubtless be more satisfactory to the Public and more conducive to the speedy settlement of the Province, and there can be little doubt as to the wisdom of the provision proposed by Your Excellency for accurate and extensive surveys of those districts in the Province most available for settlement.

The Bill which Your Excellency promises shall be laid before us, amending the "Municipality Act, 1872," so as to meet the requirements of the Province, will meet with our consideration.

We are aware of the loss that has accrued to the Province in consequence of large tracts of land, well adapted to the growth of cereals and other products, having been hitherto unavailable in some localities, owing to the want of drainage and dyking, and in others through want of irrigation. We trust the measure which Your Excellency

proposes will, without creating a permanent charge upon the public revenue, greatly increase the area of land available for agricultural purposes, by providing the means of drainage, dyking, and irrigation.

We are not unaware of the difficulties attendant on the subject of Immigration; and we are glad the question has received Your Excellency's consideration. We, also, confidently trust that the difficulties may be removed, and a vigorous and successful Immigration policy inaugurated.

We are aware of the unsuitableness of many clauses of the "Mineral Ordinance, 1869," to the requirements of the Province, and we shall give the fullest consideration to any amendments which will render the Act more useful.

The Bill proposed by Your Excellency, providing for the taking of votes by Ballot, in all Elections of Members of our House will, no doubt, recommend itself to the general approval of the Province, as well as that for properly remunerating Juries in criminal cases.

We rejoice to concur with Your Excellency, in your belief that the Province is on the eve of rapid and energetic strides in the path of development and consequent prosperity, and to learn that we are backed by the most ardent wishes of the Dominion Government, and that we shall receive not merely their moral support, but their material aid.

While we admit, with hearty satisfaction, that peace and prosperity reign within our borders, we feel deeply that much will depend upon our wisdom and patriotism, and we trust that Your Excellency's persuasion that our best consideration will be bestowed upon the important matters claiming our attention, will prove well founded.

We join in Your Excellency's prayer that, under the blessing of Almighty God, our counsels may result in the advancement of the Province, and the welfare of the People.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconded by Mr. *Todd* it was *Resolved*,—
That the report be adopted and that the Address be taken as read a second time.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency by such members of the House as are of the Executive Council.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, seconded by Mr. *Hughes*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the following Members be appointed a Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders:—Messieurs *McCreight*, *Barnston*, *Duck*, *Robertson*, *Booth*, and *Robson*.

The House then adjourned at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, 7th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* acquainted the House that he had waited on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in company with other Members of the Executive Council, with the Address in reply to the opening Speech, and that His Excellency had received the same very graciously, and had been pleased to make the following rejoinder:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I thank you for your dutiful and loyal Address, and for the assurance that the several important measures submitted to you will be carefully considered.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Return of copies of correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Government at Ottawa, relative to the four Acts of last Session which were reserved for the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor General.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* asked leave to introduce a Bill extending the rights of property of Married Women.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on the 13th January.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Cogan* seconded,—

That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the advisability of levying a Tax on all Lands in the Province, of 25 cents per 100 acres, for the purpose of raising a revenue to pay an additional premium for the destruction of Wild Animals.

Motion withdrawn by leave.

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

What steps, if any, have been taken by the Government, towards carrying out the recommendations of this House, on the 10th April, 1872. with reference to the Skeena River Trail?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* stated that he would reply on the 8th January.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, seconded by Mr. *Robinson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will recommend to the Dominion Government the construction of a branch-line of Telegraph between Cache Creek and Kamloops, connecting the latter place with the main line.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *Duck*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that a Return may be printed and sent down, showing in detail what amount has been expended, and to whom paid, and for what services rendered, of the sum of \$7,000 voted last Session, for the purpose of making surveys, preparing plans and specifications, in regard to supplying Victoria City with water.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *Duck*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that a copy of the contract and charter under which the Alexandra Suspension Bridge was built; and also the Surveyor-General's Report upon said Bridge, when accepted and handed over to the Government of British Columbia; and also giving the date of such acceptance, be printed and sent down to this House.

On the motion of Mr. *Smithe*, seconded by Mr. *Booth*, it was *Resolved*,—

That in view of the important interests depending on the regular delivery of the Mails on the East Coast of Vancouver Island, an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will urge upon the Dominion Government the necessity of subsidising a *Mau* Steamer to run regularly on the East Coast.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, seconded by Mr. *Bunster*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to examine and report upon the present system of Road making and other Public Works, with power to call for books, papers, and persons. The Select Committee to consist of Messieurs *Robson*, *Bunster*, *Smithe*, *Semlin*, and *Humphreys*.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, seconded by Mr. *Bunster*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the expediency of altering and amending the "Land Ordinance, 1870." Said Committee to have power to examine witnesses. The Committee to consist of Messieurs *Bunster*, *Smith*, *Booth*, *Humphreys*, and *Smithe*.

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Bill,
The second reading was postponed, by leave, for one week.

The House then adjourned at 4 30, p.m.

Wednesday, 8th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the First Annual Report on the Public Schools in the Province; and also, on behalf of the Honorable Mr. *Ash*, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Return of the number of persons in the service and pay of the Province, on December 1st, 1872, their respective names, duties, residences, and their respective salaries, fees, and allowances, distinguishing permanent from temporary offices. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Smith* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Return of copies of correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Government at Ottawa, relative to the four Acts of last Session which were reserved for the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor-General, should be printed, together with the Attorney-General's Report referred to in such correspondence. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, in favour of a Bill for the purpose of introducing Water into *Victoria*, by the Municipal Council of *Victoria*.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Bunster*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Petition of *E. Sutro* and others, for a Bill to be called "The City of *Victoria* Water Works Company," should be referred to the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders.

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

What steps, if any, have been taken by the Government, towards carrying out the recommendations of this House, on the 10th April, 1872, with reference to the *Skeena River Trail*?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"The late Government communicated with the Officer at *Omineca*, in June last, enclosing a copy of the Select Committee's Report upon the *Skeena* Roads and Trails, and received from him a reply in October last, stating that the *Frying Pan Pass* Trail had been opened by him for foot travel, and that after a careful examination of Mr. *Woodcock's* Trail, between *Hazelton* and *Lake Babine*, that he considered a sum of \$1,800 would be ample to pay for all work done upon that trail.

"No compromise has been made with the Contractor."

Mr. *Smithe* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Has the Government of this Province communicated with the Federal Government, with reference to the delivery of Mails in Districts situated at a distance from the salt water, on the East Coast of this Island; and, if so, what action has been taken, or is intended to be taken, in the matter?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, on behalf of the Honorable Mr. *Ash*, replied as follows:—

"I have to state that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor forwarded the Address of the House, dated 8th March, 1872, on the subject of the extension of the

Mail Service on the East Coast of Vancouver Island, to the Government of the Dominion, which duly acknowledged its receipt, but as yet has made no reply."

Mr. *Smith* moved, seconded by Mr. *Barnston*,—

1. That whereas the Dominion steamer *Sir James Douglas* is running in competition with private enterprise, as common carrier between Victoria and other ports ;

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, that he will (with due respect to our Representatives in the Dominion Parliament) request that the Government of the Dominion will be pleased to have the above steamer placed on the Revenue Service ; also to act as transport for all Light Ships and Light Houses on the coast of British Columbia.

Motion withdrawn by leave.

Mr. *Smith* asked leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Game Ordinance, 1870."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Booth* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Friday, 10th January, and to be printed.

The House then adjourned, at 3.15 p.m., until Friday, the 10th instant.

Friday, 10th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

By leave of the House, on motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Mara* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas it appears that British subjects resident on *San Juan* and adjacent islands recently in dispute, have been notified by the Governor of Washington Territory that their rights in the soil would cease on and after the 6th January instant, unless they declared their intention to become citizens of the United States of America ; and whereas a large number of such residents have declined to forswear their allegiance to the Crown, and naturally look to the British Government for that protection which they have a right to expect ;

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will be pleased to take immediate steps for having the matter brought under the notice of the Dominion Government.

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly, that he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court, the following certificate :—

" SUPREME COURT, BRITISH COLUMBIA,
" Registrar's Office,
" 10th January, 1873.

" Whereas a vacancy having occurred in the Electoral District of *Lilloet*, in consequence of the death of *Andrew T. Jamieson*, Esquire, one of the Members of the said District.

" And whereas on the 14th day of November, 1872, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such District was duly issued to *Edward H. Sanders*, Esquire, the Returning Officer of the said District.

" Now I do hereby certify that on this 10th day of January, 1873, the said Writ has been duly returned to me by the said Returning Officer with his certificate attached thereto, whereby it appears that *William Saul*, Esquire, has been under and by virtue of said Writ duly elected to be a Member of the House of Assembly for the said District.

" RICHARD WOODS,
" Registrar."

William Saul, Esquire, a Member for the Electoral District of *Lillooet*, came to the Bar of the House, and having been introduced by the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* and Mr. *Humphreys*, took his seat, having been previously sworn.

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report (being the second) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, that the Rule as to notice had been complied with by the petitioners for a Bill to enable a Company to introduce Water into *Victoria*.

The Report was received.

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report (being the third) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, that the Rule as to notice had been complied with by the petitioners for a Bill to authorize the construction of a Railway from *Victoria* to *Esquimalt*.

The Report was received.

Mr. *McCreight* asked leave to introduce a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of *Victoria* to construct Water Works for the City of *Victoria*."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, Mr. *Duck* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Referred to Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding, it was Resolved,—

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos*, it was Resolved,—

That this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider that motion.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos*, it was—

Ordered, That that part of His Excellency's Speech which refers to a Supply be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. *Semlin* asked leave to introduce a Bill to render Members of the House of Commons of Canada intelligible as Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

Ordered that leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, Mr. *Robson*, seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, 16th January.

On the motion of Mr. *Todd*, Mr. *Hunter* seconding, it was Resolved,—

That this House do proceed to elect a Law Clerk in the following manner:—That each Member cast a vote, and such person as receives the greatest number of votes be the Law Clerk.

Thirteen votes being cast for Mr. *Davie*, he was declared by Mr. Speaker duly elected.

Mr. *Smith* asked the Honorable Attorney-General the following question:—

What is the intention of the Government with regard to the rights of Settlers who have purchased public land adjoining their pre-emption, or otherwise, having paid part of the purchase money?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows:—

"The Government cannot deal satisfactorily with this question until after the 20th July, 1873. Such steps will then be taken as may be deemed just to all parties. All purchasers have long since been offered a return of their purchase money."

Mr. *Duck* asked the Honorable Chief Commissioner the following questions:—

Whether the provisions of a Resolution passed by the House at its last Session—

"That forty-seven acres of the Crown Lands, at *Ogden Point*, should be set apart for "the purpose of providing for a Public Cemetery, and for other public purposes, on behalf of the City of Victoria, as Trustees in that behalf shall see fit," have been carried out? Whether a transfer of said lands has been made to Trustees; and, if so, that a copy of the Deed be laid before the House; also, a statement of the number of acres sold; the amount realized from such sale; how much of the said amount has been expended, and for what purpose?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"That the Lands in question have been transferred by Government to Trustees, and that the Deed can be inspected by the honorable gentleman, at the Office of the Cemetery Board. That the Secretary informs me that 18 acres and 79 hundredths have been sold; that \$5,028, principal and interest, have been received from such sales; that the whole of that amount has been expended on account of sale expenses, purchase of Ross Bay property, and trust expenses; and that the trust accounts made up to 31st December, 1872, duly audited, will be shortly transmitted to the Provincial Secretary."

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Road Ordinance, 1869,' and to make the same applicable to the Mainland of British Columbia."

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to make further provision touching the Election of Members to the Legislative Assembly."

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872.'"

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act respecting Asylums for the Insane."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bills presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Smithe* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Road Ordinance, 1869,' and to make the same applicable to the Mainland of British Columbia," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Tuesday, the 14th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *McCreight* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to make further provision touching the election of Members to the Legislative Assembly," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 14th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870,'" be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, 14th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Smithe* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipality Act, 1872,'" be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Friday, the 17th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *McCreight* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act respecting Asylums for the Insane," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Tuesday, the 14th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Ordinance, 1870,'" was read second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Holbrook*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House then adjourned at 3.15, p.m., until Monday, the 13th Instant.

Monday, 13th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court the following certificate:—

"SUPREME COURT, BRITISH COLUMBIA,
"Registrar's Office,
"11th January, 1873.

"Whereas *John Ash*, Esquire, one of the Members for the Electoral District of *Comox*, did on or shortly before the 24th December, 1872, accept office under the Crown, and did thereby vacate his seat for such District in the House of Assembly.

"And whereas on the said 24th day of December, 1872, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such District was duly issued to *George F. Drabble*, Esquire, the Returning Officer of the said District.

"Now I do hereby certify, that on this 11th day of January, 1873, the said Writ has been duly returned to me by the said Returning Officer, with his certificate attached thereto, whereby it appears that the said *John Ash*, Esquire, has been, under and by virtue of the said Writ, re-elected to be a Member of the House of Assembly for the said District.

"RICHARD WOODS,
"Registrar."

The Honorable *John Ash*, a Member for the Electoral District of *Comox*, came to the Bar of the House, and, having been introduced by the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* and Mr. *Bunster*, took his seat, having been previously sworn.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Addresses, a Return of Indian Reserves; and also a Return of Pre-emption in each Electoral District, in 1872. (*See Sessional Papers*.)

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That both Returns be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, informed the House that he had received the Address of the Legislative Assembly, with respect to *San Juan*, and had forwarded the same to His Excellency the Governor-General, for his consideration.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the Resolution, "That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty," and to consider that part of His Excellency's Speech which refers to a Supply.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Holbrook*, Chairman of Committee, reported the Resolution complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered that Committee of Supply sit on Monday, the 20th January.

Mr. *Duck* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to alter and amend 'The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861.'"

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, the 16th January.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, and Mr. *Booth* seconded.—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that he will have the Steam-boat carrying the Mails on the East Coast call at North Saanich, as a matter of convenience to the Settlers of said District, for carrying their produce to market and also for the convenience of Passengers.

Mr. *Robson* moved, in Amendment,—

That after the word “will,” in the second line of the motion, the words “move the Dominion Government to” be inserted.

On the Amendment being put it was lost on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>
<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Barnston.—10.</i>
<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Cogan,</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Holbrook,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Saul,</i>	<i>Smithe.—14.</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Mc Creight,</i>		

On the Motion being put it was lost on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>
<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Bunster.—7.</i>	

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Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Ash,</i>
<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>
<i>Barnston,</i>	<i>Mc Creight,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Holbrook,</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Smithe,</i>	<i>Saul,</i>
<i>Cogan.—17.</i>			

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, Mr. *Duck* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a Return of all Lands sold by the Provincial Government since the 1st of June, 1870.

On the motion of Mr. *Hunter*, seconded by Mr. *Barnston*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Return be laid before this House showing, in detail, the Expenditure on Roads, Trails, Bridges, or other Public Works in the Omineca section of the Cariboo District, during the year 1872.

Mr. *Duck* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question in relation to the late Quarantine transaction in British Columbia:—

Under whose authority were the Board of Health of the City of *Victoria* acting? Also, that a copy of all correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Board of Health, and all correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Dominion Government, or any Agent representing the Dominion Government, be laid before this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows :—

“1. The Board of Health of the City of *Victoria* acted, so far as I know, on its own authority.

"2. The correspondence between some of the late Ministry and Board of Health of the City of *Victoria* is voluminous, and can be seen at any time by any Member of the House, at the Provincial Secretary's Office; but, of course, there is no objection to have it copied and laid on the table, if the House thinks fit.

"3. There is no official correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Dominion Government, or any agent of the Dominion Government."

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, Mr. *Semlin*, seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the correspondence referred to in the said question be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 12) intituled "The Wives' and Children Assurance Security Act, 1873."

Bill (No. 13) intituled "The Petitions of Right and Crown Procedure Act, 1873."

Bill (No. 14) intituled "The Legislative Assembly Oaths Act, 1873."

Bill (No. 15) intituled "The Land Registry Act 1870 and 1873."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bills presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 13) intituled "The Petitions of Right and Cown Procedure Act, 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, the 17th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 14) intituled "The Assembly Oaths Act, 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 15th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 15) intituled "The Land Registry Act, 1870 and 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, the 20th January.

Mr. *Humphreys* moved, Mr. *Saul* seconding,—

That whereas, by Public Notice, dated the 19th day of September, 1872," "The whole of the Land in the Valley of the *Chilcotin River* has been reserved from the operation of the 'Land Ordinance, 1870,'" to the detriment and injury of persons who have made application to pre-empt Land in said *Chilcotin Valley* and vicinity, and to whom permission to pre-empt Land has been refused;

Be it, therefore *Resolved*, That the said reserved land be, at once, thrown open to pre-emption.

Mr. *Robertson* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Todd* seconding,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out, and the following substituted:—

"It is desirable that steps should be taken by the Government, at the earliest moment, to determine the amount of land to be reserved in the *Chilcotin Valley*, for the Indians living there, and that the remainder of the existing Reservation be then thrown open to pre-emption."

The Amendment was put, and carried on a division.

The Motion as amended was then proposed, and,

Mr. *Robson* moved in amendment, Mr. *Duck* seconding,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out, and the following words substituted therefor:—

"Immediate steps be taken by the Government for laying off such Reserves in the *Chilcotin Valley*, as will include a reasonable and suitable amount of land for the Indians, and that the remainder be thrown open to settlement."

The Amendment was then put and carried, on a division.

The Motion, as amended, was then put and carried.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, 14th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of Public Lands Reserved. (*See Sessional Papers.*)
Ordered, That the Return be printed.

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report (being the fourth) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, "That in consequence of the delay which has taken place in the appointment of the Committee, it is expedient that Standing Order No. 48 should be modified by substituting "five weeks," in lieu of "four weeks," in such Order; and by the substitution of "seven weeks," in lieu of "six weeks," in such Standing Order."

The Report was received.

Mr. *Barnston* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 16) intituled "The *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade Protection Act."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On motion of Mr. *Barnston*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Barnston* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Standing Orders be suspended, for the purpose of reading a second time The *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade Protection Bill.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, 16th January.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Duck* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that the Report of the Commission appointed last Session, to enquire into the condition of *Victoria* Gaol, together with a statement showing how far the recommendations of said Report have been, or are about to be, complied with, may be sent down to this House.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That, during this Session, Standing Order No. 48 shall be modified, by substituting "five" for the word "four," and "seven" for the word "six," therein.

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What have been the results (if any) of an Address passed by this House, on the 12th March, 1872, praying that, in subsidising a Steamer to carry the Mails on the East Coast of this Island, certain provision might be made for the rates to be charged for freight and passage?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"The Address was duly forwarded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to the Dominion Government, and no reply has, up to the present time, been received."

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Whether any arrangement has been made with the Federal Government whereby this Province shall be relieved of the expense of maintaining a class of criminals who would properly be inmates of a Penitentiary, did one exist; and, if not, whether any steps are being taken, or are contemplated, towards the attainment of that object?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"The Government of the Province has taken for granted that all reasonable charges for the safe custody and maintenance of prisoners condemned to penal servitude, will be defrayed by the Dominion Government, as is the case in other Provinces.

"No definite arrangement has yet been arrived at, but the sum of seventy-five cents per diem, for each prisoner, was named to the Financial Agent of the Dominion, as the sum intended to be claimed by the Provincial Government."

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

That this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to prepare a petition to the Dominion Government to consider the expediency of altering the Customs duties on certain articles to be described in the petition, and also the Excise, in order to afford protection to agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province.

The Hon. Mr. *De Cosmos* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Booth* seconding,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out, and the following words substituted therefor:—

"The question of petitioning the Dominion Government to modify the Customs and Excise, with a view to the protection of agriculture and manufactures, be referred to a Select Committee, and that such Committee consist of Messieurs *Bunster*, *Booth*, *Cogan*, *Duck*, *Humphreys*, and *Hughes*."

The words after "That" were struck out on a division.

The words proposed to be substituted were negatived on a division.

Mr. *Robson* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding,—

That the following words be added:—

"This House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, on Monday, 20th January, to consider the propriety of preparing a petition to the Dominion Government to consider the expediency of altering the Customs duties on certain articles to be described in the petition, and also the Excise, in order to afford protection to agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province."

The Amendment was put and carried.

The Motion as amended was then put and carried.

Mr. *McCreight* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Victoria and Esquimalt* Railway Company."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Referred to Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders.

Mr. *Bunster* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *Victoria* Water Works Company."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Bunster*, Mr. *Smith* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Referred to Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Smith*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned, at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 15th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Hon. Mr. *Barn* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of all Lands sold by the Provincial Government, from June, 1870, to December, 1872. (*See Sessional Papers*.)

Ordered, That the Return be printed.

On the motion of Mr. Smith, Mr. Robinson seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the expediency of altering and revising the Mining Laws of British Columbia; such Committee to be composed of Messieurs *Barnston, Smith, Humphreys, Robertson, Robinson, Hughes, and Todd*, with power to call for persons and papers.

On the motion of Mr. Humphreys, Mr. Bunster seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for all correspondence between the Government of this Province and the Government of Canada, relative to the Resolution passed by this House on the 5th day of March, 1872, and referring to the appointment of County Court Judges for this Province, to be laid before this House.

On motion of Mr. Robson, Mr. Duck seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius shall be held more frequently at *Victoria* and other places.

Mr. Robson asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Whether certain Reports of Grand Juries at *Nanaimo*, respecting the condition of the Gaol, and setting forth other requirements of the Town, have been laid before the Government; and, if so, why no action has been taken in respect of the same?

The Honorable Mr. Ash replied as follows:—

"I have examined the Records of the Office, and find that no Reports of Grand Juries at *Nanaimo*, were received during the last year."

Mr. Robson asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What have been the results (if any) of the Address passed by this House, on the 15th March, 1872, urging the importance of establishing Telegraphic communication between *Victoria* and *Nanaimo*, with a view to extending the same across the *Gulf of Georgia*, by means of a submarine cable, so as to connect with the telegraphic system of the Mainland?

The Honorable Mr. Ash replied as follows:—

"The Address of the House, on the subject of Telegraphic communication between *Victoria* and *Nanaimo*, was duly forwarded to the Dominion Government, and its receipt has been acknowledged."

Mr. Robertson asked the Premier the following question:—

Whether it is the intention of the Government to dispense with the services of the Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court; and, if so, which?

The Honorable Mr. DeCosmos replied as follows:—

"The Government have the matter under consideration."

Mr. Humphreys asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

Whether the Government have or intend to take any steps, with respect to the appointment of a Surveyor General, and when the said appointment is to be made; and whether the Government, or any Member of the Executive, have promised said appointment to any person; and, if so, to whom?

The Honorable Mr. Beaven replied as follows:—

"That steps have been taken by this Government with respect to the appointment of a Surveyor General; but, so far, without results. That the appointment has not been promised to any one by the Government, or by any Member of the Executive."

Mr. Humphreys asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

Whether any steps have been taken by the Government, with respect to the construction of a Ferry Boat at *Lillooet*?

The Honorable Mr. Beaven replied as follows:—

"No."

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

Whether it is the intention of the Government, and, if so, *when*, to cause the approaches (without which the structure is utterly useless) to be made to the new Bridge over *Nanaimo River*?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"The Expenditure of last year, at this point, exceeded the vote by about \$750, and that the approaches will be attended to as soon as possible."

Mr. *Holbrook* asked the Honorable the Attorney-General the following question:—

Whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend the more frequent holding of Assizes on the *Mainland* of the Province, and the residence, for the season, of at least one Judge in *Cariboo*, or elsewhere on the *Mainland*?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows:—

"Yes."

Mr. *Robertson* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to extend the action of Replevin."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the committal of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Smithe*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, the 17th January.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *McCreight* moved, Mr. *Robson* seconding,—

That Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to extend the 'Public Works Act, 1872,' and to promote the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands in British Columbia," be read a second time.

Mr. *Smith* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Barnston* seconding,—

That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Amendment withdrawn by leave.

Hon. Mr. *DeCosmos* moved in Amendment, the Hon. Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

That the Bill respecting Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation, be referred to a Select Committee, with instructions to report at an early date; and that such Committee consist of Messrs. *McCreight*, *Booth*, *Armstrong*, *Robinson*, *DeCosmos*, and *Barnston*.

A debate arose, which was adjourned till to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, 16th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of payments made on account of *Omineca* District Roads.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 20) intituled "The Public Inquiries Aid Act Amendment, 1873."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, 20th January.

Mr. *Robertson* presented, pursuant to leave granted, Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to extend the action of Replevin."

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

Ordered, That said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Monday, the 20th January.

On the motion of Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Robinson* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will have additional Polling places established in the *Yale-Lytton* District, as follows:—*Boston Bar*, *Cook's Ferry*, head of *Nicola Lake*, *Savona's Ferry*, *Okanagan Lake Mission*, *Keremcos*, *Duck & Pringle's*; and *Wild Horse Creek* in the *Kootenay* District.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, seconded by Mr. *Bunster*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will take such steps as may be necessary, for the purpose of urging upon the Federal Government the necessity for having *Nanaimo Harbour* properly buoyed and marked.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, seconded by Mr. *Bunster*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor praying that all the Tenders and all correspondence (if any) in respect of the building of the new Court House at *New Westminster*, be laid before this House.

On the motion of Mr. *Mara*, Mr. *Hughes* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will recommend the Dominion Government to pass an Act legalising all sales of Land in this Province since the 1st June, 1870.

Mr. *Humphreys* asked the Honorable the Attorney-General the following question:—

Whether the services of the Clerk in the Attorney-General's Office now are, or have been, employed to do any work in respect of the private practice of the late or the present Attorney-General?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows:—

"The Clerk does no private work for the present Attorney-General. I am informed that during the last sixteen months the Clerk did about two days' work for the late Attorney-General."

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to extend the 'Public Works Act, 1872,' and to promote the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in British Columbia" was resumed.

The Amendment was put, and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Armstrong,

Ash,
Hughes,
Robinson,
Todd,

Semlin,
Smith,
Duck,
Barnston,

Booth,
Saul,
Cogan.—15.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Hunter,
Mara,
Robson,

Mc Creight,
Humphreys,

Bunster,
Holbrook,

Robertson,
Smithe.—9.

The Motion, as amended, was then put and carried.

Pursuant to Order, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

That Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Road Ordinance, 1869,' and to make the same applicable to the Mainland of British Columbia," be read a second time.

Mr. *Semlin* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Robinson* seconding,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor :—

"The Road Extension Act, 1873, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messieurs *Saul, Mara, Barnston, Semlin, McCreight, and Smithe.*

The Amendment was put and carried.

The Motion as amended was then put and carried.

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Friday, 17th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *McCreight* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Tuesday, the 21st January.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 22) intituled "The Land Amendment Act, 1873,"

Bill (No. 23) intituled "The Members' Indemnity Act, 1873."

Bill (No. 24) intituled "The County Courts Merger Act, 1873."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bills presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 22) intituled "The Land Amendment Act, 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 21st January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 23) intituled "The Members' Indemnity Act, 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 21st January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That Bill (No. 24) intituled "The County Courts Merger Act, 1873," be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 21st January.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, informed the House that the request of the Settlers on *San Juan*, for relief, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, had been considered by the Privy Council of *Canada*, and had been forwarded by the Governor-General to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that full returns may be sent down to this House, of the cost of all material, and machinery in the Government Printing Office, distinguishing between material for consumption and material for operating, and showing what additions have been made to the plant since union with Canada.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Saul* seconding,—

That this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the expediency of deeding all that part of the Inlet East of the Westerly side of *James' Bay Bridge*, in the City of *Victoria*, for the purpose of holding Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibitions.

Mr. *Robertson* moved in Amendment, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding,—

That all words after "That," up to "for," be struck out and the following substituted, "a Select Committee be appointed by the Speaker;" and after the first word "the" in the second line the following words be inserted, "practicability and;" and after the word "Victoria," the following words be inserted, "to the City of Victoria."

The Amendment was put and carried.

The Motion as amended was put and carried.

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Whether the Government intend to set apart, by way of reserve, any of the Public Lands of British Columbia for the purpose of affording a site for the erection, at some future time, of a Provincial University, and endowing the same?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"The Government, in framing a proposed amendment to the Land Ordinance, have already made provision for making reserves for Education generally, which will include provision for a site and endowment for a Provincial University."

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Whether it is the intention of the Government to make a gratuity to such of the public servants as the Government may see fit to dismiss from the service, in pursuance of its retrenchment policy; and if so, upon what principle will the amount of such gratuities be determined?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"The Government, in pursuance of its retrenchment policy, intend to give compensation to some of the public servants whose services may not be retained; but the amount of compensation will depend on age, time of service, and position."

Mr. *Booth* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner the following questions:—

What amount of land is held under Pastoral Leases throughout the Province? and, What is the average amount of rent received per acre for the same?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"There are thirty-eight thousand acres of Land under Pastoral Lease; the average rent per acre is four cents."

Mr. *Smithe* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

If it be the intention of the Government to place a sum on the Estimates for the purpose of providing for the Immigration to this Province of agricultural laborers?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"It is the intention of the Government to place as large a sum on the Estimates for Immigration as the finances of the Province, aided by the Dominion, will permit; and that provision for the Immigration of agricultural laborers will be included in the same."

The second reading of Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" was postponed, by leave, until Tuesday, 21st January.

The second reading of Bill (No. 13), intituled "The Petitions of Right and Crown Procedure Act, 1873," was postponed, by leave, until Monday, 20th January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women," was considered and adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Friday, 24th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act to make further provision touching the Election of Members to the Legislative Assembly," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday, the 20th January.

The second reading of Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870,'" was postponed, by leave, until Monday, 20th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act respecting Asylums for the Insane," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday, the 20th January.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of correspondence between the Government of the Province and the Government of *Canada*, referring to the appointment of County Court Judges for the Province. (*See Sessional Papers*)

Ordered, That the Return be printed.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act to allow matters to be proved under oath, for the purposes of the Legislative Assembly," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday, the 20th January.

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to render Members of the House of Commons of *Canada* ineligible as Members of the Legislative Assembly of *British Columbia*,"

Mr. *Semlin* moved, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Motion was carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Beaven,
Todd,
Hunter,
Robinson,

Semlin,
Smith,
Robson,

Mara,
Hughes,
Duck,

Holbrook,
Robertson,
Saul.—13.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Walkem,
Ash,
Armstrong,

Barnston,
McCreight,

Bunster,
Booth,

Smithe,
Cogan.—9.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday, 20th January.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m., until Monday, the 20th Instant.

Monday, 20th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

By leave of the House, the Order of the Day for the Report on Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act to make further provision touching the election of Members to the Legislative Assembly," was read.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

By leave of the House, the Order of the Day for the Report on Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act respecting Asylums for the Insane," was read.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

By leave of the House, the Order of the Day for the Report on Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act to allow matters to be proved under oath, for the purposes of the Legislative Assembly," was read.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Mr. *Robson* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the Public Works Act, 1872."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Mara* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Friday, 24th January.

Mr. *Semlin* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, Mr. *Robson* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, the 24th January.

Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to further amend the Constitution Act, 1871."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, 23rd January.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Procedure at Parliamentary Elections."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Smith* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, 23rd January.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act providing for a Scale of Fees to be taken by certain Officers in lieu of Salary."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, 24th January.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* asked leave to introduce Bill (No 30) intituled "An Act to render legitimate, children born out of lawful wedlock, whose parents now are or may hereafter, under certain restrictions, be married."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, Mr. *Duck* seconding —

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd January.

Mr. *Smith* moved, Mr. *Semlin* seconding,—

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that he will be pleased to extend the Capitation Law now in force in *Vancouver Island*, for the destruction of wild animals, to the *Mainland* of British Columbia.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of Order.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Mara* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that any correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Chief Justice, respecting the disposition of the Reports of Grand Juries, may be laid before this House.

Mr. *Semlin* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to consider the expediency of altering and amending the "Land Ordinance, 1870."

The Report was received, and

Ordered to be printed.

On the motion of Mr. *Hughes*, the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will have additional Polling Places established in the *New Westminster* District, as follows: at the head of *Sumass Lake*, *Harrison Mouth*, and at *Matsqui Prairie*.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the correspondence between the Government and the Judges of the Supreme Court, as to the dismissal of the Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, be laid before this House.

On the motion of Mr. *Holbrook*, Mr. *Robertson* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will take into consideration the expediency of encouraging the manufacture of Sugar from Beet Root in the Province.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that full Returns of all moneys paid by the Government of the Province, for all Printing done by any person other than the Government Printers, be sent down to this House; and to whom paid, during the year 1872.

On the motion of Mr. *Smithe*, Mr. *Robertson* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to have additional Polling Places appointed for the purpose of holding Elections in the *Cowichan* Electoral District, viz.: at *Chemainis*, Steamboat Landing, *Cowichan*, and at the Steamboat Landing, *Maple Bay*.

Mr. *Hughes* asked the Honorable the Attorney-General the following question:—

Under what authority the Government pay bounties to parties for the destruction of Wolves and Panthers?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows:—

"By authority of an Address of the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor, on the 18th January, 1869."

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of Bill (No. 16), intituled "The *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade Protection Act."

Ordered to be postponed to Thursday, 23rd January.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return, showing in detail what amount has been expended, and to whom paid, and for what services rendered, of the sum of \$7,000, voted last Session, for the purpose of making surveys, preparing plans and specifications, in regard to supplying *Victoria City* with water. (*See Sessional Papers*.)

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to render Members of the House of Commons of *Canada* ineligible as Members of the Legislative Assembly of *British Columbia*," was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

On reading the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act to alter and amend 'The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861,'" the Speaker ruled that the Bill was a Private Bill.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ash*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Standing Orders be suspended, in order to allow Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act to alter and amend 'The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861,'" to be now read a second time.

Bill read a second time accordingly.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Report received, and to be considered on Tuesday, 21st January.

The Committee of Supply was postponed to Friday, 24th January.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that in accordance with the Resolution passed yesterday, he had appointed Messrs. *Bunster*, *Robertson*, *Smithe*, *Hunter*, and *Hughes* to be a Select Committee for the purpose of considering the practicability and expediency of deeding all that part of the Inlet east of the westerly side of James' Bay Bridge, in the City of *Victoria*, to the City of *Victoria*, for the purpose of holding Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibitions.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of preparing a Petition to the Dominion Government, to consider the expediency of altering the Customs Duties on certain articles to be described in the Petition, and also the Excise, in order to afford protection to agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned, at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Tuesday, 21st January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a copy of correspondence between the Government and the Judges of the Supreme Court, as to the dismissal of the Registrar, or Deputy-Registrar, of the Supreme Court. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. *Holbrook* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to confirm Titles to certain Real property in the City of *New Westminster*."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Holbrook*, the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Thursday, the 23rd January.

Mr. *Humphreys* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Constitution Act, 1871."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Saul* seconding,—

Ordered, That said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read second time on Monday, the 27th January.

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* presented a Report from the Select Committee on the Bill respecting Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation.

The Report was received and

Ordered to be printed, and considered on Friday, 24th January.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

That the Honorable Attorney-General be requested to frame a Bill entitled a Dower Bill, for the purpose of giving to married women a right in the real estate of her husband.

The Motion was withdrawn by leave.

The Honorable Mr. *Ash*, presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, the correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Chief Justice, respecting the disposition of the Reports of Grand Juries.

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

Mr. *Duck* moved, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the fee of Sixty Dollars in respect of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861,'" and the fee of Sixty Dollars in respect of Bill (No. 16) intituled "The *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade Protection Act," be respectively remitted.

Objection being made that the motion was out of order, Mr. Speaker reserved his decision on the point until to-morrow.

Pursuant to order, Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Report received, and to be considered on Wednesday, 22nd January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act to alter and amend 'The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of preparing a Petition to the Dominion Government, to consider the expediency of altering the Customs Duties on certain Articles to be described in the Petition; and, also the Excise, in order to afford protection to Agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Wednesday, 22nd January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the motion of Mr. *Duck*,—"That the fee of sixty dollars, in respect of Bill (No. 11), intituled 'An Act to amend the Fireman's Protection Act, 1861;' and the fee of sixty dollars, in respect of Bill (No. 16), intituled 'The Williams Creek Fire Brigade Protection Act,' be respectively remitted," was contrary to the 54th Section of "The *British North America*, Act, 1867," and out of order.

Mr. *Booth* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation of Agricultural Societies within the Province of *British Columbia*."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Booth*, the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 29th January.

Mr. *Robertson* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day in *British Columbia*."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, 27th January.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, Mr. *Mara* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee, composed of Messieurs *Robertson*, *Hughes*, *Mara*, and *Semlin*, be appointed to draft an explanatory Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in respect to legalizing the Sales of Land in the Province since 1870.

Mr. *Humphreys* moved, Mr. *Bunster* seconding,—

That when papers are presented by command, or in pursuance of an order of this House, or in answer to an Address, the same shall be laid upon the Table in such a form as to ensure a speedy delivery thereof to Members.

The Motion was put, and lost on a division.

Mr. *Humphreys* moved, Mr. *Bunster* seconding,—

That whereas doubts have arisen with regard to the interpretation and application

within the Province, of copies of two Despatches from His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated respectively the 23rd and 24th July, 1868; the former containing an amended Table of Precedence within the Dominion, and the latter, certain revised Regulations respecting Titles in the Dominion:

Be it therefore *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be graciously pleased to enquire of the Honorable the Secretary of State for the Provinces, whether the Despatch referring to the Table of Precedence, within the Dominion of *Canada*, dated *Ottawa*, 30th December, 1871, applies to gentlemen who were Legislative Councillors in this Province at the time of the Union.

The Motion was withdrawn by leave.

On the motion of Mr. *Barnston*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will have additional Polling places established in the present *Cariboo* Electoral District, viz.:—at *Manson Creek*, and *Stewart's Lake*.

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

Have any tenders for the construction of a Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, been received; if so, state particulars?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"No tenders have been received by Government, for the construction of a Graving Dock, at *Esquimalt*."

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Premier the following question:—

What steps the Government intend to take to secure the construction, at an early date, of a Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"The Government are not prepared, at present, to state what steps will be taken to secure the construction of a Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*; but will shortly explain their views on the subject to the House."

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* asked the Senior Member for *Esquimalt*, the following question:—

What plans the late Government had formed for the construction of the *Esquimalt* Graving Dock?

Mr. *Robertson* replied as follows:—

"The late Government was prepared, in the event of no tender coming in for the construction of a Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, which it could recommend to the acceptance of this House, to submit to the House the following scheme:—The Dominion guarantee of 5 per cent., for ten years, on £100,000, to be capitalised. The amount thus obtained to be invested. Provincial Debentures to be issued for the sum required, and the interest thereon to be defrayed *pro tanto* out of the profit of the investment of the capitalised sum obtained from the Dominion Government. If the Dominion Guarantee could not have been capitalised, it would have been proposed to undertake the construction as a Provincial work."

On the Order of the Day being for the second reading of Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act to render legitimate, Children born out of lawful wedlock, whose parents now are or may hereafter, under certain restrictions, be married,"

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* moved,—

That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, in amendment, Mr. *McCreight* seconding,—

The the word "now" be struck out, and the words "this day six months" be added at the end thereof.

The amendment was put and *Resolved* in the negative, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

*Walkem,
Armstrong,**Barnston,
Mc Creight,**Booth,**Holbrook.—6.*

NAYS:

Messieurs

*Ash,
Beaven,
Todd,
Hunter,
Robinson,**Scmlin,
Smith,
Mara,
Robson,**Hughes,
Duck,
Humphreys,
Bunster,**Saul,
De Cosmos,
Smithe,
Cogan.—17.*

The original motion was put and carried.

Bill read second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Holbrook* the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 23rd January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 21), intituled "An Act to secure the wives and children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their husbands and parents," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of preparing a Petition to the Dominion Government, to consider the expediency of altering the Customs Duties on certain Articles to be described in the Petition; and, also the Excise, in order to afford protection to Agriculture and Manufacturing interests in this Province.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Thursday, 23rd January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to appoint a competent person to carefully explore and report upon that country lying between Buck's Bar, or Flying Dutchman's Landing, and Dease's Lake, in the *Stikeen* country.

The motion was withdrawn by leave.

Mr. *Hunter* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Whether any steps have been taken by the Government with respect to holding of Assizes or County Courts at *Omineca*?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"The Government will consider the subject of holding Assizes and County Courts in *Omineca*, when they take into consideration the question of Assizes and County Courts throughout the Province."

Mr. *Hunter* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

What is the date of the latest communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works at *Omineca*, in regard to the Public Works in that section; and if it is the intention of the Government to take such steps as will provide for all Returns of Expenditure in outlying Districts being laid before the House, if called for, during first session after such expenditures shall have been made?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"That the latest communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works, *Omineca*, is under date the 16th October, 1872; and Government intend to take steps to insure having Returns sent in from all Districts, in future, as regularly as possible."

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Land Registry Ordinance, 1870,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, 24th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 18), intituled "An Act to provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act for the protection of the *Williams Creek* Fire Brigade," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, the 24th January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to render legitimate, children born out of lawful wedlock, whose parents now are, or may hereafter, under certain restrictions, be married," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House then adjourned at 5.40 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Friday, 24th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. *Semlin* presented a Report from the Select Committee to whom the "Road Extension Act, 1872," was referred.

The Report was received, read, and

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

Mr. *Robertson* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to draft an explanatory Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in respect to legalizing the Sales of Land in the Province since 1870.

The Report was received, read, and

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of preparing a Petition to the Dominion Government, to consider the expediency of altering the Customs Duties on certain Articles to be described in the Petition; and, also the Excise, in order to afford protection to Agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for Monday, 27th January.

On the Order of the Day being read for the third reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women,"

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* moved,—

That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Smithe* moved in Amendment,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor, "the Bill be re-committed."

The Amendment was put and Resolved in the negative.

The original Motion was put and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Saul,</i>
<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>McCreight,</i>	<i>Todd,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Cogan.</i> —16.

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>Holbrook,</i>	<i>Smithe,</i> —5.
<i>Robson,</i>			

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Committee of Supply was postponed to Monday, 27th January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Land Registry Ordinance, 1870,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Monday, the 27th January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 16), intituled "An Act for the Protection of the *William Creek* Fire Brigade," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House then adjourned at 4 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Monday, 27th January.

Monday, 27th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain of the sums required for the service of the Province of British Columbia, for the year ending 31st December, 1873, and he recommends these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“*Victoria, January 27th, 1873.*”

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, laid before this House to-day, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, on Wednesday next, 29th instant, resolve itself into Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the House of Assembly the payment to the *Victoria* Fire Department and to the “*Williams Creek* Fire Brigade,” of the sum of Sixty Dollars each, being the amount of the Fees paid by them respectively under the Standing Orders of the House for certain Acts introduced by each of them respectively during the present Session.

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Victoria, January 27th, 1873.”

Ordered, That the said Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor forwards herewith an Act providing for the Indemnity to Members of the House of Assembly, and recommends the same for their adoption.

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“*Victoria, January 27th, 1873.*”

Ordered, That the said Message be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of Expenditures on Public Works in 1872, distinguishing Contracts.

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

Mr. *Robertson* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to consider the expediency of altering and revising the Mining Laws of British Columbia.

The Report was received, read, and

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Saul* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the Returns of the amount of Fees paid and taken into the Supreme Court, the Court of Chancery, the Court of Bankruptcy, the Probate Court, and the Admiralty Court, including the Fees and the amount of money taken by and paid to Commissioners, Assignees, Official Administrators; as also Fees paid and taken, and by whom, for copies

of affidavits and all other documents of the several Courts, of every kind and nature whatsoever appertaining thereto; and, also, what portion of said money and Fees was paid into the Provincial Treasury, and what portion was paid to, or retained by, the Registrars and Deputy Registrars, or to or by any other person or persons, for their own use and benefit; distinguishing the one from the other; and, also to whom, and to what Estates, in the Court of Chancery, the Probate Court, and the Admiralty Court, the said fees and commissions were charged, since the first day of January, 1871, to the first day of January, 1873.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Bunster* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That whereas doubts have arisen with regard to the interpretation and application within the Province, of copies of two Despatches from His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated respectively the 23rd and 24th July, 1868: the former containing an amended Table of Precedence within the Dominion; and the latter, certain revised Regulations respecting Titles in the Dominion:

Be it therefore *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to enquire of the Honorable the Secretary of State for the Provinces, whether the Table of Precedence, referred to in the Despatch, dated *Ottawa*, 30th December, 1871, applies to gentlemen who were Legislative Councillors in this Province at the time of the Union; and, if not, whether it is intended to apply said Table of Precedence to this Province, in respect to Legislative Councillors at the time of the Union.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Smith* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that Returns may be sent down to this House, showing the number of Homesteads registered under "The Homestead Ordinance, 1867," distinguishing between the Mainland and Island; and, also, those registered under a former Act, in force on *Vancouver Island*.

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Have all the Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees of Court, whether imposed and collected under Imperial or Local Acts, since Union with *Canada*, been paid to the credit of the Provincial Revenue? and, if not, why?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"They have not. Up to the 25th October, 1872, all Fines, Fees, &c., collected under Imperial Statutes, were paid into the Crown Fund. Fees collected under Local Acts, since Confederation, have been paid into General Revenue.

"I am unable to assign any reason for such sums having been originally paid into the Crown Fund, or subsequently diverted into the General Revenue."

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to further alter and amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871.'"

Ordered to be postponed to Wednesday, 29th January.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of preparing a Petition to the Dominion Government, to consider the expediency of altering the Customs Duties on certain articles to be described in the Petition, and also the Excise, in order to afford protection to agriculture and manufacturing interests in this Province.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Mr. *Bunster* moved:—

That this House having taken into consideration the way in which the Tariff and Excise affect this Province, are of the opinion that it is very desirable, in the interest of Trade and Agriculture, to modify the Tariff and Excise on Wheat, Barley, Oats, Hay, Hops, Potatoes, Butter, Cheese, Bacon, and Lard, and to exempt this Province from the operation of the Stamp Act, and Brewers and Malsters from Excise Duties and Licences; and that this House therefore recommend the Dominion Government to raise the Tariff, so far as it may affect British Columbia, on Barley, Oats, Potatoes, Bacon,

Hams, Lard, Hay, Hops, Butter, and Cheese, to the rate levied on them respectively under the British Columbian Tariff at the date of Union; that the Tariff on Wheat be 10 cents per bushel, and Flour be 50 cents per barrel:

That no Excise be enforced on Brewers and Malsters; and that the Stamp Duty be not extended, at present, to this Province:

That His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to transmit, as soon as possible, the above Resolution to His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of *Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, in amendment,—

That the words "and Flour be fifty cents per barrel," be struck out; and that after the word "bushel," the following words be added: "and that Iron, Mining and Agricultural Machinery and Implements, and also materials used in the manufacture thereof, be admitted free of Duty."

Mr. *Todd* moved,—That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, subsequently moved,—That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Armstrong,
Beaven,
Todd,

Robinson,
Hughes,

Saul,
Holbrook,

Robertson,
McCreight.—9.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Ash,
DeCosmos,
Walkem,
Semlin,

Smith,
Robson,
Mara,
Duck,

Barnston,
Humphreys,
Bunster,

Booth,
Cogan,
Smith.—14.

Mr. *Holbrook* subsequently moved,—That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.

The Motion was put and resolved in the negative.

The Amendment of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* was withdrawn by leave.

The original Motion of Mr. *Bunster* was withdrawn by leave.

Mr. *Barnston* moved,—

That this House having taken into consideration the way in which the Tariff and Excise affect this Province, are of the opinion that it is very desirable, in the interest of Trade and Agriculture, to modify the Tariff on Barley, Oats, Hay, Hops, Potatoes, Butter, and Cheese; and to exempt this Province from the operation of the Stamp Act; and Brewers and Malsters from Excise Duties; and that this House therefore recommend the Dominion Government to raise the Tariff, so far as it may affect British Columbia, on Barley, Oats, Hay, Potatoes, Hops, Butter, and Cheese, to the rate levied on them respectively under the British Columbia Tariff, at the date of Union:

That no Excise be enforced on Brewers and Malsters; and that the Stamp Duty be not extended, at present, to this Province; and in place of the Excise, a Licence be put on Brewers and Malsters; and that Iron, Mining and Agricultural Machinery and Implements, and also materials used in the manufacture thereof, be admitted free of Duty:

That His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to transmit, as soon as possible, the above Resolution, to His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of *Canada*.

Mr. *Todd* moved in amendment,—

That the words "the Dominion Government to raise" be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—"to the Members of the House of Commons for this Province, that they press upon the attention of the Dominion Government the propriety of raising."

The amendment of Mr. *Todd* was withdrawn by leave.

The motion of Mr. *Barnston* was put and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

*De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Ash,*

*Smith,
Semlin,
Todd,*

*Barnston,
Bunster,
Humphreys,*

*Booth,
Cogan,
Smithe.—12.*

NAYS:

Messieurs

*Beaven,
Armstrong,
Robinson,*

*Robson,
Mara,
Hughes,*

*Duck,
Mc Creight,
Holbrook,*

*Robertson,
Saul.—11.*

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Resolution.

The adoption of the Report was Resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

*De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Ash,*

*Todd,
Semlin,
Smith,*

*Barnston,
Bunster,
Humphreys,*

*Booth,
Cogan,
Smithe.—12.*

NAYS:

Messieurs

*Beaven,
Armstrong,
Hunter,*

*Robinson,
Robson,
Mara,*

*Hughes,
Duck,
Mc Creight,¹*

*Saul,
Holbrook,
Robertson.—12.*

Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote against the adoption of the Report, stating that upon his election he had promised to support the Canadian Tariff.

The second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to further alter and amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871,'" was postponed until Wednesday, the 29th January.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Report of the Select Committee on the Bill respecting Drainage, Dyking and Irrigation, was considered.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* seconding, it was *Ordered*,—

That two Bills be introduced, in accordance with the Report.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved,—

That the House do now adjourn until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

Mr. *Robson* moved, in amendment,—

That all the words after "until" be struck out, and the words "two o'clock, to-morrow," be substituted therefor.

The amendment was put and lost on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

*Robinson,
Smith,
Robson,*

*Mara,
Barnston,
Humphreys,*

*Bunster,
Holbrook,*

*Robertson,
Saul.—10.*

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Armstrong,

Ash,
Todd,
Hunter,
Semlin,

Hughes,
Duck,
Mc Creight,

Booth,
Cogan,
Smithe.—14.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 30) intituled, "An Act to amend the 'Public Inquiries Aid Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Smithe*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, the 30th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act relating to Replevin," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Wednesday, the 29th January.

The House then adjourned at 10.10 p. m.

Tuesday, 28th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

"The Lieutenant-Governor forwards herewith a Bill to provide for the payment of Jurors in Criminal cases, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Victoria, January 28th, 1873."

Ordered, That the said Message, together with such Bill, be referred to a Committee of the whole House, for consideration to-morrow.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Smithe* seconding, it was *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, recommending "The Indemnity to Members Act, 1873," together with such Act, be referred to a Committee of the whole House, for consideration to-morrow, and that the order made by this House to refer the same to the Committee of Supply be rescinded.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Smithe* seconding, it was *Resolved*, That the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, recommending the payment, to certain Fire Departments, of certain moneys, be referred to a Committee of the whole House, for consideration to-morrow, and that the order made by this House to refer the same to the Committee of Supply, be rescinded.

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of the estimated cost of all material and machinery in the Government Printing Office; distinguishing between material for con-

sumption, and material for operating; and showing what additions have been made to the plant since Union with *Canada*.

Ordered to be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The Report from the Select Committee appointed to draft an explanatory Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in respect to legalizing the Sales of Land in the Province since 1870, was considered.

Report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, Mr. *Smith* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking His Excellency to forward the said Report to the proper authorities at *Ottawa*, to be considered in connection with the Address already presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor respecting the legalizing of Sales of Land.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, the Report of the Commissioners appointed to inspect the condition of the *Victoria* Gaol, together with a Statement shewing what alterations have been carried out in accordance with the recommendations made by the Commissioners.

Ordered, That the Report and Statement be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipality Act, 1872,'" was postponed until Thursday, 30th January.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 30th January.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870,'" was read.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved,—

That the Bill be now read a second time.

A debate arose which was adjourned till to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Wednesday, 29th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Robertson* presented a Clause, accidentally omitted from the Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the expediency of altering and revising the Mining Laws of *British Columbia*.

The Clause was read, received, and

Ordered to be added to the Report.

Mr. *Robson* was substituted for Mr. *Smith*, as a member of the said Committee, and the Committee was instructed to consider the Mining Laws generally.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce Bill (No 36) intituled "An Act to repeal 'The Legislative Assembly Privileges Act, 1872.'"

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, Mr. *Todd* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, 30th January.

Mr. *Barnston* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

What is the object and desired end of the Government in reducing the salary of the Attorney General to the sum of \$2,500, with practice, when, according to Estimates introduced, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and Provincial Secretary's salaries are retained at \$3,500; the latter gentlemen being entitled to follow and practice their respective trade and profession?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"The reduction was made in the salary of the Honorable Attorney-General in conformity with the usage that formerly prevailed in the Province, of remunerating him by fees for Crown prosecutions, &c., in addition to the fixed salary."

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to further alter and amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871.'"

Mr. *Humphreys* moved,—

That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

That the word "now" be struck out, and the words "this day six months" be added at the end thereof.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Thursday, 30th January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on Friday next, to take into consideration Section 12 of the Terms of Union, respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Mara* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that any Report which may have been made by the Attorney-General, or any other officer, respecting the disposition of Fines, Fees, &c., of Court or Courts, collected before the 25th October, 1872, may be placed before this House.

Mr. *Duck* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Has any Report from the Committee appointed on Wednesday, the 13th of March, 1872, to take into consideration the claim of the Liquidators of the *Queen Charlotte* Coal Mining Company, Limited, been presented to the House; and, if so, what action has been taken by the Government on such Report?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"No Report from the Committee appointed to consider the claims of the Liquidators of the *Queen Charlotte* Co., has been presented to the House."

Pursuant to Order, the debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled, "An Act to further alter and amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871,'" was resumed.

The Amendment of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* was put and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Holbrook,</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Barnston,</i>	<i>Smithe,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Mc Creight,</i>	<i>Cogan.—21.</i>
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	
<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>	
<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Saul,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Bunster.—3.</i>
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The original Motion, as amended, was put and carried.

Pursuant to Order, the debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870,'" was resumed.

The Motion, That the Bill be now read a second time, was put, and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>De Cosmos,</i>	<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>Smithe.—17.</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	
<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Saul,</i>	
<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Barnston,</i>	<i>Cogan,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Mc Creight,</i>	<i>Holbrook,</i>	<i>Robertson.—3</i>
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Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Public Inquiries Aid Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Mr. *Mc Creight* moved, That the Bill be re-committed.

The Motion was put and carried.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, the 31st January.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m., until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to repeal 'The Legislative Assembly Privileges Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Holbrook*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for Monday, 3rd February.

Mr. *Robson* moved,—

That the House adjourn until two o'clock to-morrow.

The Motion was put and lost.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act relating to Replevin," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and a Bill to provide for the payment of Jurors in Criminal cases, accompanying the same.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That this Committee is of opinion, that Jurors in Criminal cases should be allowed fees as in Civil cases, and a Bill relating thereto is herewith submitted.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Resolution.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, the 31st January.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, recommending the payment to the *Victoria* Fire Department, and to the *William Creek* Fire Brigade, of the sum of sixty dollars each, being the amount of the Fees paid by them respectively, under the Standing Orders of the House, for certain Acts introduced by each of them during the present Session.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Committee have considered the said Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, respecting Fees paid by the *William Creek* Fire Brigade and the *Victoria* Fire Department, of \$60 each, and recommend that the same be placed on the Supplementary Estimates.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee reported the said Resolution.

Report adopted.

The House then adjourned at 11 p. m.

Friday, 31st January, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* asked leave to introduce the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 37) intituled "The Sheriffs Act, 1873;"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "The Trades Licences Amendment Act, 1873;"

Bill (No. 39) intituled "The Justices of the Peace Jurisdiction Act, 1873."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bills presented.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,
Ordered, That the said Bills be now read a first time.

Bills read first time accordingly.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 37) intituled "The Sheriffs Act, 1873," be read a second time on Wednesday, 5th February.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 38) intituled "The Trades Licences Amendment Act, 1873," be read a second time on Thursday, 6th February.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 39) intituled "The Justices of the Peace Jurisdiction Act, 1873," be read a second time on Monday, 3rd February.

Mr. *Robertson* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to enable Attorneys of the Supreme Court of British Columbia to be called to the Bar of the said Court."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Booth* seconding,—

Ordered. That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read a first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, 5th February.

On the motion of Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Semlin* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking for Returns of the amount of expenditure, as regards Immigration, for the last twelve months; the sum paid to *Agents*, in the way of salaries, at *London* and *San Francisco*; the number of Immigrants shipped by the above *Agents* to this Province; and the cost of transportation, &c., for the same.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*, Mr. *Robson* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to send down, for the information of this House, Returns, in detail, of the amount of public money expended in furnishing Government House, and on Government House grounds, *Victoria*; together with a full and complete Inventory of all furniture and other property now in Government House, or on Government House grounds, and for the payment of which public moneys have from time to time been appropriated; also, a full statement of the furniture and other property belonging to the Province, which has been removed from the Government House, *New Westminster*, to the Government House, *Victoria*, subsequent to the Union of *Vancouver Island* with *British Columbia*.

Mr. *Duck* asked the Honorable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Why were the Arrears of Taxes, and sums due and chargeable on Real Estate in *Vancouver Island*, in respect of the Real Estate Tax Acts respectively mentioned in the "Tax Sale Repeal Ordinance, 1867," not collected in the year 1872?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"Arrears of Taxes on Real Estate, to the amount of \$1,727, were collected during the year 1872. I do not know why the attempt to collect the balance, still due, was not made, but will ascertain at the first possible moment."

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration Section 12 of the Terms of Union, respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for Monday, 3rd February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act respecting allowances to Jurors in Criminal cases," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870,'" was postponed until Monday, 3rd Februray.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act to incorporate Agricultural Societies," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, the 4th February.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

Mr. *Mara* was elected Chairman of the Committee.

The Message of His Excellency, and the Estimates having been read,

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding the sum of \$1,600 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Monday, 3rd February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Monday, 3rd February.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos*, Mr. *Robertson* seconding, it was *Resolved*.

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to take into consideration a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and a Bill relating to Indemnity to Members, accompanying the same.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

Resolved, That the Bill relating to Indemnity to Members, forwarded and referred to in His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, be adopted for consideration in the House.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Robinson*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Resolution.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, 3rd February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867,' by giving County Court Judges jurisdiction over the Mining Court, as constituted under the said Ordinance, and to declare the powers of the said County Court Judges, and to regulate the procedure in relation thereto," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day in *British Columbia*," was read a second time.

Ordered, to be committed on Tuesday, 4th February.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Monday, 3rd February.

Monday, 3rd February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Honorable Mr. Ash presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of the amounts paid by the Government for all Printing done by other than the Government Printers.

Mr. McCreight presented a Report (being the fifth) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, That the Committee had considered a Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of Victoria to construct Water Works for the City of Victoria," and, subject to certain amendments, approved thereof.

The Report was received.

Mr. McCreight presented a Report (being the sixth) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, That the Committee had considered a Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Esquimalt Railway Company," and, subject to certain amendments, approved thereof.

The Report was received.

Mr. McCreight presented a Report (being the seventh) from the Select Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, That the Committee had considered a Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the City of Victoria Water Works Company," and, subject to certain amendments, approved thereof.

The Report was received.

Mr. Robertson presented a Supplementary Report from the Select Committee appointed to consider the expediency of altering and revising the Mining Laws of *British Columbia*.

The Supplementary Report was received.

Mr. Bunster presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed for the purpose of considering the practicability and expediency of deeding all that part of the Inlet east of the westerly side of James' Bay bridge, in the City of Victoria, to the City of Victoria, for the purpose of holding Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibitions.

The Report was received.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Robertson, it was Resolved,—

That the Reports of the Committee appointed to consider the expediency of revising and altering the Mining Laws of *British Columbia* be referred to a Select Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill or Bills in accordance with the suggestions contained in such Reports. Such Committee to consist of Messrs. Hughes, Humphreys, Robinson, Walkem, Barnston, Robson, Todd and Robertson.

Mr. Bunster to ask leave to introduce a Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to attach Property in certain cases."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. Bunster, Mr. Humphreys seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, 5th February.

Mr. Robertson asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act, 1872.'"

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Holbrook seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 5th February.

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Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

That this House reconsider the vote taken on the Resolution referring to the Customs and Excise.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Smith* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to send down to this House a copy of the despatch relating to Act No. 4 of last Session.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Smith* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that Returns may be sent down to this House, showing the amount of Fees paid to the Crown prosecutor or prosecutors for the conduct of public business during the year 1872.

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas the Committee appointed on the 13th March, 1872, to enquire into the claim of the *Queen Charlotte* Coal Mining Company Limited, have tendered no Report upon the subject for which they were appointed, it is therefore *Resolved*,—

That another Committee shall be appointed, consisting of Messieurs *McCreight*, *Barnston*, *Booth*, *Semlin*, *Bunster*, and *Duck*, for that purpose, and that the said Committee is required to Report at the earliest opportunity.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

That the Government be requested to cause to be printed not less than fifty copies of the British North America Act, the Terms of Union with *Canada*, and the Standing Orders of this House, and bound together, for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. *Holbrook* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Whether he has made any arrangements for carrying on the Assay Office at *New Westminster*, so that free assays can be made of minerals; and, if so, what they are?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows:—

“No arrangements have been made for carrying on the Assay Office at *New Westminster* so that free assays of minerals can be made.”

Mr. *Smith* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

What is the intention of the Government, as regards the construction of a Bridge, the present year, at the mouth of *Thompson River*?

What is the intention of the Government respecting the expenditure of the \$4,500 in the construction of a Road (in the *Nicola Valley*) from *Woodward's* to *Frank Pickles*, the above amount having been voted last Session, but not expended?

What is the intention of the Government, with regard to making passable the bluff on the *North Fork of Thompson*, as petitioned for last Session, at a cost of \$1,000?

What is the intention of the Government, respecting the construction of fourteen miles of Waggon Road, at a cost of \$2,000, connecting the *Spillamacheen Valley* with *Lake Okanagan*, and thereby opening up 248 miles of navigation?

What is the intention of the Government, respecting the construction of a Bridge on the *Nicola River*, at the *Nicomene* crossing?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

“That amounts voted last year and unexpended are, of course, lapsed votes, and that the Government will be prepared, when the Estimates are under discussion, to give the fullest information possible as to the distribution of the amounts proposed to be expended upon Roads in each District.”

By leave of the House, Mr. *Smith* moved, Mr. *Robinson* seconding, and it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that all papers and correspondence between the Government and

the settlers of *Yale-Lytton* District, in connection with Roads, Trails, and Bridges, be laid before this House.

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Premier the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to provide a Constable or Policeman for *Esquimalt* town, during the current year ?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows :—

"It is the intention of the Government to transfer the Police of *Victoria* and *Esquimalt* to the Corporation of the City of *Victoria*."

Mr. *Holbrook* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question :—

Whether it is the intention of the Government to place a sum on the Estimates for making a Road from *New Westminster* to *Semihamo* ?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows :—

"There will be money placed on the Estimates to be expended on a Trail between *New Westminster* and *Semihamo*."

Mr. *Smithe* asked the Premier the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to make any effort, during the ensuing year, to open a Road from *Goldstream* to *Cowichan* ?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows :—

"It is the intention of the Government to make an effort, this year, to open a Road from *Goldstream* to *Sayward's Saw-mill*."

Mr. *Robson* asked the Honorable the Attorney-General the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to provide a second Constable for *Nanaimo*, during the present year ?

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* replied as follows :—

"No."

Mr. *Smithe* asked the Premier the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to open a Road from *Chemainis* to *Nanaimo* ?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows :—

"It is the intention of the Government to provide for the opening of the Trail between *Chemainis* and *Nanaimo*."

Mr. *Smithe* asked the Premier the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to donate any part of the \$600 now on the Estimates for the benefit of Agricultural Societies, to any Society outside of *Victoria* ?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows :—

"The \$600 on the Estimates for Agricultural Societies will be fairly distributed among all the Agricultural Societies in the Province."

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Public Inquiries Aid Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to repeal 'The Legislative Assembly Privileges Act, 1872.'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Holbrook* the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to authorize one Justice of the Peace to do any matter or thing heretofore to be done by two Justices of the Peace," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Wednesday, 5th February.

The Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration Section 12 of the Terms of Union, respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, was postponed until Tuesday, 4th February.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a copy of the Despatch relating to Act No. 4 of last Session.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870,'" was considered.

Mr. *Robertson* moved, That the Bill be re-committed.

The Motion was put and carried.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, 4th February.

The House adjourned at 5-30 p.m., until 7-30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the First Report of the Committee of Supply was considered. Report adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the year ending December 31st, 1873, the sum of \$1,600 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *British Columbia*.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, 4th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee on Tuesday, 4th February.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Mr. *Robson* moved, That in the Provincial Secretary's Department, "\$3,500" be struck out, and "\$2,500" substituted therefor.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Robson,

Humphreys,

Bunster.—3.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,

Todd,

Hughes,

Saul,

Walkem,

Robinson,

McCreight,

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Beaven,

Hunter,

Booth,

Mr. Speaker,

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Holbrook,

Smith.—19.

Armstrong,

Duck,

Barnston,

Mr. *Holbrook* moved, That in the Provincial Secretary's Department "\$3,500" be struck out, and "\$3,000" instituted therefor.

The motion was put and resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Robson, *Holbrook,* *Humphreys,* *Bunster.*—4.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos, *Todd,* *Duck,* *Barnston,*
Walkem, *Hunter,* *McCreight,* *Saul,*
Beaven, *Semlin,* *Booth,* *Cogan,*
Ash, *Robinson,* *Mr. Speaker.* *Smithe.*—18.

Armstrong, *Hughes,*

The House continued to sit until after midnight.

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2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,410 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the "Provincial Secretary's Department."

Mr. *Robson* moved, That the Committee rise and report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

The motion was put and resolved in the negative on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Robson, *Robinson,* *Bunster,* *Holbrook,*
Hunter, *McCreight,* *Humphreys,* *Saul.*—8.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos, *Ash,* *Semlin,* *Barnston,*
Walkem, *Beaven,* *Hughes,* *Booth,*
Armstrong, *Todd,* *Duck,* *Cogan.*—12.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,150 be granted Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Printing Branch of the Provincial Secretary's Department.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Audit Branch of the Provincial Secretary's Department.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned at 12.45 a. m., until 2 o'clock p. m. this 4th February.

Tuesday, 4th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

"The Lieutenant-Governor forwards herewith, a Bill providing for the adoption of the Wild Land Tax, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

"GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS,

"Victoria, February 4th, 1873."

Ordered, That the said Message, together with such Bill, be referred to a Committee of the whole House, for consideration forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the "Wild Land Tax Act, 1873," be recommended to the House for adoption.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Resolution.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, 7th February.

Mr. *Holbrook* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question :—

If any appropriation is intended to be made to the *New Westminster* Fire Department, out of Miscellaneous Services not detailed in the Estimates?

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows :—

"It is not intended to make any appropriation out of Miscellaneous Services for the Fire Department of *New Westminster*."

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return showing the Expenditure on Immigration account, during the year 1872.

Ordered That the Return be printed. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* presented, pursuant to the "Civil Officers' Securities Act, 1872," a Statement of Securities given by Public Officers.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to Incorporate Agricultural Societies," was postponed until Wednesday, 5th February.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration Section 12 of the Terms of Union, respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* moved,—

Resolved, That Article 12 of the Terms of Union between this Province and the Dominion of Canada, provides for the construction of a first class Graving Dock, in the following words:—"The Dominion Government shall guarantee the interest for ten years, from the date of the completion of the works, at the rate of (5) five per centum per annum of such sum, not exceeding £100,000 sterling, as may be required for the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*."

That the Terms above specified, were adopted in the full belief that the proposed guarantee would be sufficient to secure the construction of the Dock by private enterprise.

That, although Tenders have been publicly invited in *England*, *Canada*, and the *United States*, yet none have been received since the close of the last Session of the Legislature.

That only one Tender had been received previous to the close of last Session, and that the Legislative Assembly refused to accept.

That, from trustworthy information, it is certain that the guarantee for the construction of the Graving Dock is not sufficient to induce private enterprise to engage in the undertaking.

That it is highly desirable, from a naval and mercantile point of view, that the Graving Dock should be constructed without delay.

That Article 9 of the Terms of Union, states that—"The influence of the Dominion Government will be used to secure the continued maintenance of the Naval Station at *Esquimalt*.

That the construction of the Dock would be a powerful inducement to Her Majesty's Government to continue *Esquimalt* as a Naval Station; and that the continuance of Her Majesty's ships in the waters of *British Columbia* would contribute most materially to preserve peace between the White population and Indians, and by that means save to the Dominion Government large sums that might otherwise be expended in suppressing Indian outbreaks.

That the Graving Dock partakes more of a National and Federal than of a Provincial character. This is especially the case in view of the necessity of a first class Dock for the repair of Her Majesty's ships in the North Pacific, and also in view of the early construction of the *Canadian Pacific* Railway and the consequent development of an extensive trade carried on in steamships and sailing vessels of the largest class, between *China*, *Japan* and *Australasia* on the one side, and *British Columbia* on the other.

That as the true intent and spirit of Section 12 of the Terms of Union was to secure beyond a doubt the construction of the Dock, and as the guarantee in Section 12 is insufficient, this House respectfully recommends His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to open negotiations with the Dominion Government to secure its construction without delay, on one of the following conditions:

1. To increase the guarantee on £100,000 sterling from 5 per centum per annum for 10 years to £120,000 sterling at 7½ per centum per annum for 25 years.
2. In lieu of the present or proposed increased guarantee, the Dominion Government to construct the Dock.
3. The Dominion Government to grant to this Province such sum of money in cash, in lieu of the guarantee in Section 12 of the Terms of Union, as may enable the Provincial Government to undertake the construction of the Dock.

Mr. Robertson moved, in amendment,—

That the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, in order that he may move the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the best means of building a Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*. Such Committee to consist of Messieurs *McCreight*, *Robinson*, *Walkem*, *Robson*, and *Robertson*.

The Amendment was put, and resolved in the negative, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Robson,</i>	<i>McCreight,</i>	<i>Bunster,</i>	<i>Cogan,</i>
<i>Mara,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Smithe</i> .—8.

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>DeCosmos,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>
<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Todd,</i>	<i>Hughes,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Ash,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Barnston,</i>	<i>Holbrook</i> .—13.
<i>Armstrong,</i>			

The original motion was put and resolved in the affirmative.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Wednesday, the 5th February.

The House then adjourned, at 5.50 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Wednesday, 5th February.

Wednesday, 5th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Pursuant to Order, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to extend and amend the 'Public Works Act, 1872.'"

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, 6th February.

On the motion of Mr. *Cogan*, Mr. *Booth* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the dissemination abroad of information respecting the agricultural, mining, lumber, fishing, and other industrial resources of the Province, with the object of encouraging Immigration hither, is highly desirable, and that a pamphlet in a compendious form, embracing such information, ought to be prepared and disseminated abroad, but without incurring other expense than such as may be provided for in the Estimates for the current year.

On the motion of Mr. *Smithe*, Mr. *Cogan* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to draft a Bill to provide for the Privileges and Immunities necessary to be enjoyed by the Legislative Assembly of this Province; Committee to be composed of the following members:—Messieurs *Robertson*, *Mc Creight*, *Robson*, *Semlin*, *Duck*, and *Smithe*.

Mr. *Humphreys* asked the Honorable Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What kind of duty or work was Mr. *O. Hare* employed on, for which a commission of \$88 49 was paid him, as appears by the Public Accounts and Returns?

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* replied as follows:—

"The Stipendiary Magistrate authorized Mr. *O. Hare* to collect certain Taxes and Licenses from Chinamen and others working on outlying Creeks of the *Cariboo* District.

"Mr. *Hare* was paid by a commission on the amount collected, in lieu of payment by salary."

Mr. *Robertson* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to retain an Immigration Agent at *San Francisco*, and an Agent-General at *London*?

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows:—

"The Government intend to continue the Agent-General in *London* for the current year; but it is uncertain whether an Immigration Agent will be continued at *San Francisco*."

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to authorize one Justice of the Peace to do any matter or thing heretofore to be done by two Justices of the Peace," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act to incorporate Agricultural Societies," was considered.

Mr. *Booth* moved, the Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* seconding,—

That the Bill be re-committed.

The Motion was put and carried.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 6th February.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day in *British Columbia*."

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

Mr. *Robinson* Chairman.

On the motion of Mr. *Smith* it was *Resolved*,—
That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.

Pursuant to Order, the Report of the Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration Section 12 of the Terms of Union, respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, was considered.

Report adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the First Report of the Committee of Ways and Means was considered.

Report adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the Second Report of the Committee of Supply was considered.
Report adopted.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

Mr. *Robson* moved,—

That the whole of the items in the Treasury Department be struck out, and that the Treasury Department be amalgamated with that of the Provincial Secretary.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Robson,

Humphreys,

Bunster.—3.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Armstrong,
Ash,

Todd,
Hunter,
Semlin,
Robinson,

Hughes,
Duck,
Barnston,
Mc Creight,

Booth,
Holbrook,
Cogan,
Saul.—17.

Mr. *Holbrook* moved,—

That, in the Treasury Department, "\$3,500" be struck out, and "\$3,000" substituted therefor.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Holbrook,

Bunster,

Robson.—3.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Armstrong,
Ash,

Todd,
Hunter,
Semlin,
Robinson,

Hughes,
Duck,
Barnston,
Humphreys,

Mc Creight,
Booth,
Cogan,
Saul.—17.

Mr. *Robson* moved,—

That, in the Treasury Department, "\$3,500" be struck out, and "\$2,500" substituted therefor.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative.

Mr. *Robson* moved,—That, in the Treasury Department, "\$1,600" be struck out.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,552 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Treasury Department, for the year 1873.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee at 7.30 o'clock, this evening.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m., until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Mr. *Robson* moved,—That, in the Lands and Works Department, “\$3,500” be struck out, and “\$2,500” be substituted therefor.

The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lands and Works Department, for the year 1873.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,940 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Registrar-General of Titles, for the year 1873.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of the amount of Fees paid to the Crown Prosecutor or Prosecutors for the conduct of public business, during the year 1872.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department, for the year 1873.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of the Executive Council, for the year 1873.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, for the year 1873.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,880 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Supreme Court, for the year 1873.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Sheriffs of the Province, for the year 1873.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,616 50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Superintendent of the Provincial Police, and of the Provincial Gaol situated in the City of *Victoria*, for the year 1873.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,864 50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Gaol situate in the City and District of *New Westminster*, for the year 1873.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,108 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Police and Gaols of the Districts of *Kootenay* and *Columbia*, for the year 1873.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Police and Gaols of the *Cariboo* District, for the year 1873.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5704 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Police and Gaols of the *Omineca* District, for the year 1873.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,016 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Police and Gaols, *Yale* and *Kamloops* Districts, for the year 1873.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Police and Gaols of the *Nanaimo* District, for the year 1873.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Assay Office, *Cariboo*, for the year 1873.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,184 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the service of the Lunatic Asylum of the Province, for the year 1873.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Elections, and the Contingencies of Legislation, for the year 1873.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Chemicals and Fuel required for the use of the Assay Office, and the freight on the same, for the year 1873.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,975 be granted to Her Majesty to defray

the expenses of Administration of Justice (exclusive of salaries) throughout the Province, for the year 1873,

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,825 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Police and Goals (exclusive of salaries) throughout the Province, for the year 1873.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,487 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lunatic Asylum (exclusive of salaries), for the year 1873.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted as a Gratuity to the daughter of the late Mr. *Ogilvy*, for the year 1873.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,340 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Charitable Allowances throughout the Province, for the year 1873.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses throughout the Province of Education, for the year 1873.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses which may be incurred during the year 1873, on account of Immigration.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Surveys, for the year 1873.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$444 50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Rents, for the year 1873.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, for the year 1873.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, for the year 1873.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Repairs to Public Buildings, Provincial, for the year 1873.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,050 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, *Victoria*, for the year 1873.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, *New Westminster*, for the year 1873.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 6th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Thursday, 6th February.

The House then adjourned at 11.30 p.m., until 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Thursday, 6th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. *Bunster* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to exempt certain Property from forced seizure or sale."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Bunster*, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, 10th February.

Mr. *Bunster* asked the Government the following question:—

What steps have been taken to ascertain the resources of the different Districts of the Province for Settlement.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* replied as follows:—

"Steps have already been taken by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to ascertain the resources of the different Districts for Settlement; but sufficient time has not elapsed to get the information sought."

Pursuant to Order, the Third Report of the Committee of Supply was considered. Report adopted.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Friday, 7th February.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Friday, 7th February.

Friday, 7th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Robertson* asked leave to introduce the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Ordinance, 1869.'"

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867,' and the 'Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872.'"

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bills presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Robinson* seconding,—

Ordered, That the said Bills be now read a first time.

Bills read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday, 10th February.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Mara* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that Returns may be sent down to this House, showing the Public Officers, of whatever grade, who have been dismissed by the present Government, or who have been notified that their services are to be dispensed with; and giving the dates of such dismissal or notification.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$87,950 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, and Bridges, for the year 1873.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaven*, the sum of "\$360" for copies of Maps for Registrar, was struck out, and "\$176 83" substituted therefor.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,926 83 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1873.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Saturday, 8th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Saturday, 8th February.

Mr. *Bunster* asked the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

What steps have been taken to induce Settlement of the Public Lands in the Province; and what information and instructions have been given to the Agents at *San Francisco* and *London*?

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* replied as follows:—

"Government propose to encourage Settlement; in the first place, by being in a position to receive and supply information to intending Settlers, as to the capabilities and requirements of each District; then by offering Free Homesteads in certain Districts; and by surveying as much public land as possible each year, and obtaining information as to the quality of each section of land; and by the opening, and keeping in repair, the public roads of the Province; by amending the Land Laws, and by placing as few difficulties in the way of acquiring homes in the Province as possible; by making liberal provision for Schools, and by setting aside lands for School purposes.

"At the same time, it must be remembered, that this Government are precluded, by the Terms of Union with *Canada*, from dealing with the public lands, other than by pre-emption, before the 20th July next.

"That this Government have given no further instructions to Immigration Agents, at *London* and *San Francisco*, than were given by the previous Government."

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act to incorporate Agricultural Societies," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to the Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker, of the Legislative Assembly," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for the next sitting of the House.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m., until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker, of the Legislative Assembly."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Saturday, 8th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered, to be committed on Monday, 10th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to extend and amend the 'Public Works Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Monday, 10th February.

On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871,'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until Monday, 10th February.

The House then adjourned, at 11.40 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Monday, 10th February.

Monday, 10th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Hon. Mr. *Ash* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a full Inventory of all the public property in the Government House, *Victoria*.

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, Mr. *Hughes* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, asking that he will cause to be sent down to this House, a detailed statement of the amount of money paid out of the \$40,000, voted last Session for School purposes, to December 31st, 1872; and to whom paid.

Pursuant to Order, the Fourth Report of the Committee of Supply was considered. Report adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to the Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker, of the Legislative Assembly," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to extend and amend the 'Public Works Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Mr. *McCreight* moved, the Honorable Mr. *Beaven* seconding,—

That the Bill be re-committed.

The motion was put and carried.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, 11th February.

Pursuant to Order, the debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871,'" was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved,—

That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. *Mara* moved, in amendment, Mr. *Hunter* seconding,—

That the word "now" be struck out, and the words "this day six months" be added to the end thereof.

The debate was again adjourned until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

The House then adjourned at 6 o'clock, until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Constitution Act, 1871,'" was resumed.

The Amendment of Mr. *Mara* was put and lost on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Robson,
Mara,

Hunter,
Humphreys,

Bunster,
McCreight,

Holbrook,
Smithe.—8.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Ash,

Armstrong,
Todd,
Robinson,
Semlin,

Hughes,
Duck,
Barnston,

Booth,
Saul,
Cogan.—14.

The original motion was put and resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Procedure at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, the 11th February.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to confirm titles to certain real property in the City of *New Westminster*," was ruled out of order as a Private Bill.

The House then adjourned at 10.50 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Tuesday, 11th February.

Tuesday, 11th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, Mr. *Hughes* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to urge upon the Dominion Government the necessity of the speedy liquidation of all just claims in respect to the Quarantine of the steamship "Prince Alfred," at *Victoria*, in June and July, 1872.

Pursuant to Order, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act to promote the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in *British Columbia*."

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, 12th February.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to extend and amend 'The Public Works Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to procedure at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly of *British Columbia*," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

"The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of correspondence between himself and the Secretary of State for the Provinces, in relation to the Address of the Assembly to him, last Session, on the subject of the collection of a Poll Tax on British Subjects entering *California* by sea. (See *Sessional Papers*.)

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

"*Victoria, February 11th, 1873.*"

Ordered, That the said Message and copy of correspondence be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

"The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of correspondence between himself and the Secretary of State for the Provinces, in relation to the Address of the Assembly to him last Session on the subject of the Boundary Line between this Province and *Alaska*. (See *Sessional Papers*.)

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

"*Victoria, February 11th, 1873.*"

Ordered, That the said Message and copy of correspondence be printed.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'"

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

"The Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the consideration of the House of Assembly, Supplementary Estimates for the year 1873.

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

"*Victoria, February 11th, 1873.*"

Ordered, That the said Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill on Wednesday, 12th February.

The House then adjourned at 6 o'clock, until 2 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, 12th February.

Wednesday, 12th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Hon. Mr. *Ash* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a detailed Statement of the amount of money paid out

of the \$40,000 voted last Session for School purposes, to December 31st, 1872; and to whom paid. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor transmits a Supplementary Estimate to provide for the Expenditure of the year 1872, for which no vote was taken, and recommends the same to the consideration of the Legislative Assembly. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“*Victoria, February 12th, 1873.*”

Ordered, That the said Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Supplementary Estimate accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Lieutenant-Governor forwards to the Legislative Assembly the enclosed proposed Amendment to the “Members’ Indemnity Act, 1873,” so far as such Act applies to the salary of Mr. Speaker.

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“*Victoria, February 12th, 1873.*”

Ordered, That the said Message be now referred to a Committee of the whole House.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That the clause proposed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as clause 18, in lieu of the clause 18 appearing in the “Indemnity to Members Act, 1873,” be inserted as part of the Act.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Mr. *Cogan* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend ‘The Homestead Ordinance, 1867.’”

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Cogan*,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, 14th February.

On the motion of Mr. *Smithe*, the Honorable Mr. *DeCosmos* seconding, it was *Resolved*, That five copies of the Acts passed during the present Session, and Journals, be bound, at as early a date as possible, and forwarded by mail to each Member.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a further sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department, for the year ending December 31st, 1873.

Resolved, That a further sum not exceeding \$2,836 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Lands and Works, for the year ending December 31st, 1873.

Resolved, That a further sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenditure on Roads, Streets and Bridges, for the year ending December 31st, 1873.

Resolved, That a further sum not exceeding \$14,900 be granted to Her Majesty for Miscellaneous Services during the year ending December 31st, 1873.

Resolved, That the sum of \$2,500, granted for the purpose of carrying out the agreement made by the Government with Mr. *T. A. Bulkley*, shall not be paid unless the agreement shall have been first referred to two or more arbitrators, and that the award of such arbitrators shall be carried out by the Government, so far as it may concern the paying to Mr. *Bulkley* the aforesaid sum.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$103,045 28 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenditure incurred, in excess of votes, during the year ended December 31st, 1872.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 13th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Thursday, 13th February.

The House adjourned at 5:30 p.m., until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

7:30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a copy of the papers and correspondence between the Government and the Settlers of *Yale-Lytton* District, in connection with Roads, Trails, and Bridges. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending December 31st, 1873, the further sum of \$351,040 08 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *British Columbia*.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 13th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Thursday, 13th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Booth*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Thursday, 13th February.

The House then adjourned, at 11:35 p.m., until 2 o'clock on Thursday, 13th February.

Thursday, 13th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith, a further Estimate of sums required for the service of the year 1873, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly. (*See Sessional Papers.*)

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
“13th February, 1873.”

Ordered, That the said Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the further Estimate accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency Lord *Dufferin*, congratulating His Excellency upon his appointment as Governor-General, and his safe arrival in the Dominion of *Canada*; said Committee to consist of the mover, the Honorable the Premier, the Honorable Attorney-General, and Messieurs *McCreight*, *Robertson*, *Mara*, and *Hunter*.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, Mr. *Humphreys* seconding,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will request the Dominion Government to admit into *British Columbia*, all Stock of every kind, and all Farming Produce, Implements, Furniture, and Goods belonging to British Subjects at present resident on *San Juan Island*, free of duty.

The Motion was referred to the following Select Committee appointed by Mr. Speaker, namely: Messrs. *Bunster*, *Semlin*, *Humphreys*, *Todd*, and *Robson*.

Mr. *Cogan* asked the Honorable the Premier the following question:—

If it is the intention of the Government to take any steps to carry out the provisions of “The Weights and Measures Ordinance, 1869?”

The Honorable Mr. *De Cosmos* replied as follows:—

“The subject of Weights and Measures will be brought under the notice of the Dominion Government.”

Pursuant to Order, the Fifth Report of the Committee of Supply was considered.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, in amendment, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding,—

That in the Resolution referring to the payment to Mr. *T. A. Bulkley*, all the words after “Mr. *T. A. Bulkley*” be struck out.

The Amendment was put and carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Walkem,
Armstrong,
Ash,
Robinson,

Hunter,
Semlin,
Robson,
Mara,

Barnston,
McCreight,
Humphreys,
Holbrook,

Robertson,
Cogan,
Smithe.—15.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Beaven,
Todd,

Smith,
Hughes,

Duck,
Bunster,

Booth,
Saul.—9.

The Report, as amended, was adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

“JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

“The Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the consideration of the House of Assembly, the insertion of a clause in the “Petitions of Right and Crown Procedure Act, 1873,” to the effect that the Act shall not be retrospective in its operation.

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
“Victoria, February 6th, 1873.”

Ordered, That the said Message be now referred to a Committee of the whole House.
(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walkem*, it was *Resolved*.—

That a clause, as recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be added to the said Bill.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* presented the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 48) intituled “An Act for granting certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1873, and for making good certain sums expended in the Public Service in 1872, and for other purposes.”

Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act to Indemnify Members of the Executive Council and others, for the unavoidable expenditure of public money without a grant of the Legislative Assembly.”

Bills read first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday, the 14th February.

The House then adjourned at 6 o'clock, until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the Fifth Report of the Committee of Supply was considered.
Report adopted.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to indemnify the Members of the Executive Council, and all other persons concerned, for the advance made during the year 1872, of the sum of \$103,045 28, to meet the Expenditure on account of certain requirements of the Province not provided for by vote, detailed accounts of such expenditure having been laid before this House.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray further Expenditure on Roads, Streets, and Bridges in the Province during the year ending 31st December, 1873.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, 14th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Friday, 14th February.

Pursuant to Order, the Second Report of the Committee of Ways and Means was considered.

Report adopted.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the year ending December 31st, 1873, the sum of \$3,250 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *British Columbia*.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, 14th February.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee, on Friday, 14th February.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" "

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the said Bill, on Friday, 14th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to enable Attorneys of the Supreme Court of *British Columbia* to be called to the Bar of the said Court," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, 14th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of "The Public School Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Friday, 14th February.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 a.m., until 2 o'clock p.m., this 14th February.

Friday, 14th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the Sixth Report of the Committee of Supply was considered. Report adopted.

The Committee of Supply was discharged.

Pursuant to Order, the Third Report of the Committee of Ways and Means was considered.

Report adopted.

The Committee of Ways and Means was discharged.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act for granting certain sums of money required for defraying the Expenses of Civil Government for the year 1873, and for making good certain sums expended in the Public Service in 1872, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mara*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on the next day on which the House sits.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to indemnify Members of the Executive Council, and others, for the unavoidable expenditure of public money without a grant of the Legislative Assembly," was read a second time.

Ordered, to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 40), intituled "An Act to enable Attorneys of the Supreme Court of *British Columbia* to be called to the Bar of the said Court," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to promote the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in *British Columbia*," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the said Bill, on the next day on which the House sits.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of 'The Public School Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Mr. *Robertson* moved, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding,—

That the Bill be re-committed.

The motion was put and carried.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with an amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on the next day on which the House sits.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872.'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the said Bill, at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned at 5-45 p.m., until 7-30 o'clock this evening.

7-30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872.'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the said Bill, on Monday, 17th February.

The House then adjourned at 10 p. m., until 2 o'clock on Monday 17th February.

Monday, 17th February, 1873.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Humphreys* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to enable any person to appear in behalf of Suitors in any County Court, Police Court, or Justice's Court, within the Province of *British Columbia*."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

On the motion of Mr. *Humphreys*,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, 18th February.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, the 18th February.

Mr. *Saul* asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting Breeding Stock."

Ordered, That leave be granted.

Bill presented.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, 18th February.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 1.) intituled "An Act to promote the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in *British Columbia*."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, 18th February.

The House adjourned at 5.45 p.m., until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

In the absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. *Mara* occupied the Chair.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Ordinance, 1869,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Tuesday, 18th February.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Bunster* moved,—
That Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to exempt certain property from forced seizure or sale," be now read a second time.
The Motion was put, and resolved in the negative, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bunster,
Smith,

Robson,
Semlin,

Saul,

Smithe.—6.

NAYS:

Messieurs

De Cosmos,
Walkem,
Beaven,
Ash,

Armstrong,
Todd,
Robinson,
Hunter,

Hughes,
Barnston,
McCreight,
Booth,

Holbrook,
Robertson
Cogan.—15.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" was considered.

The Honorable Mr. *Walkem* moved, Mr. *McCreight* seconding,—

That the Bill be re-committed.

The Motion was put and carried.

On Mr. *Mara* resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Tuesday, 18th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Ordinance, 1870,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. *Mara* resuming the Chair, Mr. *Robinson*, the Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned at 12.15 a.m., until 2 o'clock p.m. this 18th February.

Tuesday, 18th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report from the Committee appointed to draft a Bill to provide for the Privileges and Immunities necessary to be enjoyed by the Legislative Assembly.

The Report was received.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to define some of the Privileges of the Members of the Legislative Assembly" presented.

On the motion of Mr. *McCreight*, the Honorable Mr. *Walkem* seconding,—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Bill read first time accordingly.

Ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed this evening.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act for granting certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1873, and for making good certain sums expended in the Public Service in 1872, and for other purposes," was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of 'The Public School Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Municipality Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to promote the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in *British Columbia*," was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Land Ordinance, 1870,'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Robinson*, Chairman of the Committee reported the Bill complete, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered on Wednesday, 19th February.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act providing for a Scale of Fees to be taken by certain Officers," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Todd*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with Amendments.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Road Ordinance, 1869,' and to make the same applicable to the Mainland of *British Columbia*," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House then adjourned at 5.40 o'clock, until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

7.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act for the Supply of Water to the City of *Victoria*," was read a second time.

Ordered, to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for this evening.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867,' and the 'Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act for the Supply of Water to the City of *Victoria*."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House then adjourned at 1.40 a.m., until 2 o'clock p.m., this 19th February

Wednesday, 19th February, 1873.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. *Robson* presented a Report from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency *Lord Dufferin*, congratulating His Excellency upon his appointment as Governor-General, and his arrival in the Dominion of *Canada*.

Report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Robson*, Mr. *Holbrook* seconding, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to transmit the Address prepared by the Committee to *Lord Dufferin*.

Mr. *McCreight* presented a Report from the Committee appointed to enquire into the claim of the *Queen Charlotte Coal Mining Company, Limited*.

Report adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 22), intituled "An Act to amend 'The Land Ordinance, 1870,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867,' and the 'Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to define some of the Privileges of the Members of the Legislative Assembly."

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, without Amendment.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaven* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of Tenders and Correspondence in respect of the building of the new Court House at *New Westminster*. (*See Sessional Papers*).

The Honorable Mr. *Ash* presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to Address, a Return of the amounts collected and expended for Road Tax in 1872. (*See Sessional Papers*).

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to enable any person to appear in behalf of Suitors in any County Court, Police Court, or Justices' Court within the Province of *British Columbia*," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hughes*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to authorize the attachment and sale of property in certain cases," was discharged.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Ordinance, 1869.'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned at 5-50 p.m., until 7-30 o'clock this evening.

7-30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Ordinance, 1869.'"

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Victoria and Esquimalt* Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cogan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Homestead Ordinance, 1867,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Saul*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete, with amendments.

Report adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting Breeding Stock," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

The Committee rose without Report.

The House then adjourned at 11.50 p.m., until 12.30 o'clock p.m., on Friday, 21st February.

Friday, 21st February, 1873.

12.30 O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Excellency *Joseph William Trutch*, Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House of Assembly, and being seated in the Chair, assented, in Her Majesty's name, to the following Bills:—

An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking, and Irrigation of Lands in *British Columbia*.

An Act to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women.

An Act to amend the "Game Ordinance, 1870."

An Act further to amend the "Road Ordinance, 1869," and to make the same applicable to the Mainland of *British Columbia*.

An Act to make further provision touching the Election of Members to the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to amend "The Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870."

An Act to amend "The Municipality Act, 1872."

An Act respecting Asylums for the Insane.

An Act for the Supply of Water to the City of *Victoria*.

An Act to render Members of the House of Commons of *Canada*, ineligible as Members of the Legislative Assembly of *British Columbia*.

An Act to alter and amend "The Fireman's Protection Act, 1861."

An Act to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits.

An Act to allow matters to be proved under oath for the purposes of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to amend "The Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

An Act for the protection of the *William Creek* Fire Brigade.

An Act to incorporate the *Victoria* and *Esquimalt* Railway Company.

An Act relating to Replevin.

An Act to amend "The Public Inquiries Aid Act, 1872."

An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents.

An Act to amend the "Land Ordinance, 1870."

An Act relating to the Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker, of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to amend "The Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867," by giving County Court Judges jurisdiction over the Mining Court, as constituted under the said Ordinance, and to declare the powers of the said County Court Judges, and to regulate the procedure in relation thereto.

An Act to extend and amend the "Public Works Act, 1872."

An Act to amend "The Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870."

An Act to amend "The Constitution Act, 1871."

An Act to amend the Law relating to Procedure at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly of *British Columbia*.

An Act providing for a Scale of Fees to be taken by certain Officers.

An Act to incorporate Agricultural Societies.

An Act respecting Allowances to Jurors in Criminal Cases.

An Act to repeal "The Legislative Assembly Privileges Act, 1872."

An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff.

An Act to authorize one Justice of the Peace to do any act, matter, or thing heretofore to be done by two Justices of the Peace, and to give an Appeal to Courts of General or Quarter Sessions.

An Act to enable Attorneys of the Supreme Court of *British Columbia* to be called to the Bar of the said Court.

An Act to amend and extend the provisions of "The Public School Act, 1872."

An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax.

An Act to amend the "Mineral Ordinance, 1869."

An Act to amend "The Gold Mining Ordinance, 1867," and "The Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872."

An Act to amend "The Homestead Ordinance, 1867."

An Act to Indemnify Members of the Executive Council and others, for the unavoidable expenditure of public money without a grant of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act respecting Practitioners in the County Courts and other inferior Courts.

An Act to define some of the Privileges of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly signified His Excellency's assent, in the following words, after reading the titles of said Bills:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

To the following Bill His Excellency's assent was reserved:—

An Act to render legitimate, Children born out of lawful wedlock, whose parents now are or may hereafter, under certain restrictions, be Married.

The Clerk signifying the same as follows, after reading the title of said Bill:—

"His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor reserves his assent to this Bill, until the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada has been signified in respect thereto."

Then, the Honorable the Speaker addressed His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Excellency, at the close of our labours, with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Excellency's acceptance, a Bill intitled "An Act for granting certain sums of Money required for defraying the Expenses of Civil Government for the Year 1873, and for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in 1872, and for other purposes."

To this Bill, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Excellency's command, did thereupon say:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

Then, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

The time has now arrived, when I can relieve you from your labors in this House, on the Public behalf.

The number and importance of the measures to which I have just given my assent, indicate that you have discharged with diligence the duties imposed upon you by the people of *British Columbia*.

I thank you for the provision you have made for the requirements of the Public Service. You may rest assured that the Supply granted shall be expended with care and economy.

I trust that the changes which have been made in the Law affecting the acquisition of the Public Lands, will have the effect of encouraging the settlement of the Province.

The system of Free Grants will, doubtless, stimulate Immigration; whilst the right of purchasing Lands direct from the Crown, and the power granted to persons who may desire to reclaim land subject to overflow, will conduce materially to the investment of capital on valuable tracts which have hitherto remained unoccupied.

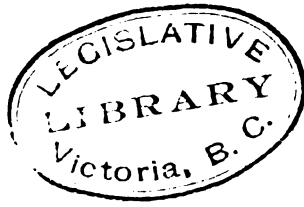
I am glad to observe the increasing application of the principle of self-government under the Municipal system inaugurated last year.

These measures, coupled with the near approach of the time when the work of constructing the *Canadian Pacific* Railway will assuredly begin, warrant me in congratulating you that a new era of prosperity is about to dawn on the Province; and I am sure that you will join with me in the prayer, that our hopes may be realized, and that we may be permitted to meet again to renew the expression of our thankfulness to Him from whom all mercies flow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ash*, Provincial Secretary, then said,—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until Monday, the Fifth day of May next, to be then here holden, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Monday, the Fifth day of May next.



APPENDIX.

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LIST OF SESSIONAL PAPERS.

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Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 1873.

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Do.	Report of Commission on Victoria Gaol.		
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Do.	Do.	Do.	Poll Tax on British Subjects at San Francisco.
Do.	Do.	Do.	Yale-Lytton Roads.
Do.	Do.	Do.	New Westminster Court House.
Do.	Do.	Do.	Act No. 4 of last Session.
Do.	Expenditure on Water Survey.		
Do.	Indian Reserves.		
Do.	Government Reserves.		
Do.	Expenditure on Public Works, 1872.		
Do.	Do.	Omineca Roads, 1872.	
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Do.	Lands Sold, June, 1870, to December, 1872.		
Do.	Public Officers, on the 1st December, 1872.		
Do.	Do.	dismissed.	
Do.	Securities given by Public Officers.		
Do.	Fees paid to Crown Prosecutors.		
Do.	Furniture in Government House.		
Do.	Printing Material.		
Do.	Expenditure on Immigration.		
Do.	Printing done by other than the Government Printers.		
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Report of Select Committee on Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Bill.

Do.	Do.	Land Ordinance.
Do.	Do.	Mining Laws.
Do.	Do.	Road Ordinance Extension Bill.
Do.	Do.	to prepare Explanatory Note respecting Land Sales.
Do.	Do.	on Lands near James' Bay Bridge.
Do.	Do.	Queen Charlotte Coal Co.
Do.	Do.	Privileges.

Address to Lord Dufferin.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
ON THE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
IN THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31st,
1872.

BY THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.
WITH APPENDICES AND SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.



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EDUCATION OFFICE,
August 31st, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit herewith, to be laid before His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, my Report on the Public Schools of British Columbia, for the year ending 31st July, 1872, as far as I have been able, at this date, to obtain information respecting them.

To the Report are added Appendices, which contain various documents and papers illustrative of the means that have been adopted by the Board of Education to promote the Educational interests of the Province.

A Supplemental Report will be forwarded to His Excellency, as soon as my annual tour shall be completed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient servant,

(Signed) JOHN JESSOP,

Superintendent of Education.

*Hon. A. R. Robertson, M.P.P.,
Provincial Secretary.*

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31st, 1872.

To His Excellency the Honorable JOSEPH W. TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

In accordance with the provisions of the "Public School Act, 1872," I have the honor to submit to Your Excellency my First Report on the condition of the Public Schools throughout the Province, so far as I have at this date been able to collect the necessary information.

But little more than three months have elapsed since the appointment of the Board of Education and the commencement of the system inaugurated by the first Provincial Legislature of British Columbia, and established as law by Your Excellency on the 11th April last. During this period the Board have held seventeen meetings for the transaction of business. "Rules and Regulations for the government of Public Schools in the Province of British Columbia," and "Rules for the examination of Public School Teachers, and the issuance of Certificates of Qualification," (copies of which are hereto appended) have been adopted. Four examinations for certificates have been held, the details of which will be found in Appendix E, of this Report. Sixteen Certificates of Qualification have been issued on examination papers written from previously prepared questions. At those examinations seven candidates failed. Seven Certificates have been granted on Diplomas and Certificates submitted to and approved of by the Board, making twenty-three in all to the present date. Only Third Class Certificates have so far been issued: as it was considered necessary, firstly, that all the incumbents of existing schools should qualify in accordance with the School Act at once, and their schools be brought under the supervision of the Board; and secondly, that longer notice should be given to teachers and others intending to become such, and that papers should be prepared for certificates of a higher grade, embracing a more extended curriculum of studies, and a more searching examination in each.

The question as to what Text Books should be adopted, and the advisability of making a reasonable charge to parents and guardians for them, has received very careful consideration; and the conclusion unanimously arrived at was, that supplying text books and stationery to schools gratis, would be open to serious objections; and that the expense would be too heavy an item for the School Fund to bear. The Board finally decided to charge Ontario retail prices for all authorized books used in the Public Schools of British Columbia, on the receipt of the following opinion from the Honorable the Attorney-General: "The Board of Education may, under Section 7, sub-sec. 5, make a rule whereby the pupils may be charged a reasonable price for their text books. Sub-sec. 4 by no means imports that the text books are necessarily to be supplied gratis. To do so under all circumstances, and especially in cases of great carelessness on the part of the pupils, would not be 'the adoption of all lawful means in their power to advance the interests and usefulness of Public Schools.'

"Again, Sec. 30 prescribes, as one of the duties of the Trustees, that they are to see that the pupils are duly supplied with a uniform series of authorized text books, but not that this supply must, in all cases, be without payment."

The list of text books adopted by the Board, June 4th, is as follows: Canadian series of Readers, namely, First Reader, (Parts 1st and 2nd,) Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Advanced Readers, Canadian Spelling-book, Smith & McMurchy's Elementary and Advanced Arithmetics, Easy Lessons in Geography (Hodgson), Modern School Geography and Atlas (Campbell), Lennie's English Grammar, Colenso's Algebra, Part 1st; Young's Euclid, Parts 1st and 2nd; Johnson's Book-keeping, Collier's General History, and British Empire. The list is still incomplete, as text books on several other subjects have yet to be adopted.

An order for text books amounting to \$880 22, as per list Appendix F, was forwarded on the 10th June to the publishing house of James Campbell & Son, Toronto, Ontario, the invoice of which has come to hand, by which I am advised that the very liberal discount of 27½ per cent. on the catalogue prices has been allowed.

I am obliged to defer my remarks on the School Statistics of the Province till the completion of my first annual tour, as a sufficient length of time has not yet elapsed for the returns to come in from the different districts. As the School Act calls for the Superintendent's Report "on or before the 1st September," I must comply with it as far as possible; but general remarks and those on particular districts not yet visited must necessarily be deferred for a supplementary report. This difficulty, unavoidable for the present year, will not, however, occur again.

Periodical reports are indispensable wherever Public School systems prevail; as statistical returns enable us to record from time to time with perfect accuracy the educational progress of the Province. A brief retrospect of what had been accomplished before the present School Act came into force, may not, at this juncture, be out of place. In 1855 the Honorable the Hudson's Bay Company established public schools, under the supervision of Rev. E. Cridge, M.A., in Victoria, Craigflower and Nanaimo; each of the teachers being paid \$750 salary from the Colonial exchequer, together with fees ranging from \$60 to \$250 per annum. For several years those schools supplied the educational wants of the community; but as early as 1861 the necessity for additional Public School accommodation, in Victoria particularly, was keenly felt. Circumstances to which I need not now revert prevented the establishment of a Free School System till 1865, when the sum of \$10,000 was set apart by the Vancouver Island House of Assembly as a School Fund for that year, and the late Alfred Waddington, Esq., appointed Superintendent of Education. Another school, with male and female departments, was at once provided in this city, and similar institutions were established at Esquimalt, Lake, Cedar Hill, Saanich, and Cowichan. For some time upwards of 400 pupils were in attendance at those schools; reduced, however, in eighteen months by families leaving the Colony and other untoward circumstances to about 300. At the Union of the Colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island in 1866, the Island Free School system was virtually defunct, although the schools in Victoria and a few other places were kept open for two years longer. The "Common School Ordinance, 1869," and "Common School Amendment Ordinance, 1870," put educational matters on a somewhat better footing throughout the Colony, with the exception of Victoria, where the tax called for by law was paid for one year and then voted down; consequently the effort to keep up the public school had to be abandoned in September, 1870. From that date to the present no public school has had an existence in this city. Under those now repealed Ordinances several new School Districts, chiefly on the Mainland, were created, and a few school-houses erected. From 300 to 350 children were in attendance at the Public Schools at the close of 1870, exclusive of Victoria City. A few months' experience was sufficient to demonstrate the fact that nothing short of an absolutely Free School system would meet the requirements of the Colony, so that when British Columbia entered the Confederacy as one of the Provinces, she was fully prepared to receive with thankfulness the present admirable "Public School Act," the machinery under the provisions of which is just being put into motion.

I now proceed to lay before Your Excellency a report on each of the Schools and School Districts visited since my appointment on the 18th of April last:

VICTORIA CITY AND DISTRICT.—Established as a School District under the "Common School Ordinance, 1869," on the 25th June of that year. Boundaries:—"A line commencing at the point where the Northern boundary line of Section 3, Victoria District,

meets the water in Rock Bay; thence along the said boundary line, and the continuation thereof, along the Northern boundary lines of Sections 75 and 76, in a straight line to salt water, at Oak Bay; thence along the shore, South and West, following the water-line to the point of commencement at Rock Bay." Teachers—Colin C. McKenzie, B.A., Principal, and Mr. John Mundell, 1st Assistant, in Boys' Department; salaries, \$100 and \$75 per month respectively. Mrs. Hayward and Miss M. J. Baxter, Principal and 1st Assistant, Girls' Department; salaries, \$80 and \$60 respectively. All duly qualified. They were appointed July 23rd and 30th. Their duties commenced on the 19th Aug. The Boys' School, at the head of Yates Street, on School Reserve of ten acres; and the Girls' on Broughton Street, near Government, both recently fitted up. There are 108 boys in attendance at the school on the Reserve, and girls, and boys under seven years of age, in the Broughton Street school. Number of children of school age in the city not yet ascertained. This item, also the list of private schools and the number attending them, must be submitted in supplementary report.

ESQUIMALT SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Established 22nd October, 1870. Boundaries:—"All the piece of land included within the following limits, viz., commencing at the Western extremity of the South boundary line of the Craigflower School District, then Southerly and Easterly along the shore line of Esquimalt Harbour and Fuca Straits, and Northerly along the water line of Victoria Harbour to the South-eastern extremity of the said Craigflower School District, then along the Southern boundary line of said District to the point of commencement." The school has been in operation since 1865, with but little interruption. Present teacher, Mr. Joseph Planta, who holds a certificate from the Board of Education; and received his appointment on 16th May last. The school was visited on 5th June, a few days after the teacher began his work. The exercises commenced punctually at 9 A. M., with 20 pupils in attendance—ten arrived afterwards. Thirty-four on the Register for the month—about one-half girls. Classes all backward. Some of them merely beginners. Linear Drawing and Vocal Music just commenced. Small children troublesome. A few under four years of age. Teacher very industrious and painstaking, as well as patient and persevering. Have no doubt a few months' work will make a great improvement. There are about fifty children of school age in the district. School-house belongs to Church of England, and was for some time used as a place of worship. The nominal rent paid heretofore was refunded by the Churchwardens of St. Paul's to the Trustee Board. It is now under lease for two years, with privilege of third, at a monthly rental of four dollars. Sundry repairs and improvements are being attended to; and some necessary school furniture will be procured before re-opening.

CRAIGFLOWER SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Established July 23rd, 1870. Boundaries:—"Commencing at the extremity of the North-western boundary line of Section 5, Victoria District, thence along said line to the Saanich Road, thence along said Road to the point where it intersects the Southern boundary line of Lake District, thence Westerly along said boundary line and the North boundary line of Esquimalt District to the North-western extremity of said line, thence in a straight line Southerly to the South-east corner of Section 7, and the Salt Lagoon, thence Northerly and along the water line of Esquimalt Harbour, and Southerly to the South-Western corner of Section 26, thence in a straight line to the South-western extremity of Section 10, thence along the Southern boundary line of said Section to the Portage Inlet, thence Northerly along the water line and Southerly to the point of commencement." School is under the tuition of Mr. Lyndon LeLievre, a certificated teacher, appointed 7th June, salary \$60 per month. Visited this School on the 1st May and 12th July. First visit found ten pupils in attendance, most of them backward in their studies. About 40 children of School age in the District. School room was very untidy. Building exceedingly dilapidated and almost past repair. New School house required. Second visit found only four children in attendance, consequently recommended that the regular summer vacation should be commenced.

METCHOSIN SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed April 8th, 1871. Boundaries:—"The whole of the District of Metchosin according to the Official Map, together with that portion of Esquimalt District adjoining thereto, which lies outside the boundary of the Craigflower School District." School under Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher, a duly qualified teacher. Appointed May 29th, 1872. Salary \$55 per month. Visited July 10th. Found ten children in attendance, seven girls and three boys. Reading classes creditable; spelling good; arithmetic very fair as far as taught; geography and grammar just commenced.

Building new and in good condition. Shed required, and fencing necessary round School lot, one acre in extent. Twenty-one children in District of School age, seven of whom are too far away to attend present School.

SOOKE SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 23rd May, 1872, under new School Act. Boundaries "same as those defined on the Official Map of the District of Sooke." Teacher, Mrs. Miles, who holds a certificate from the Board. Appointed July 23rd, 1872. Salary \$50 per month. School just commenced in a rented building belonging to Mr. John Muir, Sen., at a monthly rental of four dollars. There are eighteen children between the ages of five and sixteen in this District.

CEDAR HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 25th June, 1869. Boundaries:—"Commencing at the point where the North-west boundary line of Section 3, Victoria District, meets the salt water in Rock Bay; thence North along the water-line to the North-west point of the boundary line of Section 5; thence along said line to the Saanich road; thence along the Saanich road to the point where it intersects the South boundary line of Lake District; thence East along said line to the salt water in Cordova Bay; thence South along the water-line to the North-east limit of the Victoria School District; thence West in a straight line along the North boundary line of said District, to the point of commencement in Rock Bay." Former teacher Mr. C. C. McKenzie, B. A. recently appointed Principal of Boys' Department of Victoria Public School. Present teacher Mr. George Pottinger, who is duly qualified. Appointed July 30th; salary, \$70 per month. Visited school May 2nd and 23rd. On May 2nd found 19 children in attendance. Twenty-seven on Register. Pupils orderly and attentive to their studies. Class in English History read well, and answered questions correctly. Two pupils in Algebra, one able to solve simple equations of two or more unknown quantities. On 23rd May school opened at 9 A. M.; present at commencement, four girls and six boys. Classes in first and second Reader, acquitted themselves creditably in reading and spelling. Second and third Readers not so good comparatively. Arithmetic class, as far as fractions and interest, had a fair knowledge of the subject. Geography not so good. Apparently, the school as a whole was making tolerable progress. Two or three children from Lake District were in attendance. About eighty children of school age in District. School held at present in a portion of the Episcopal Church on sufferance. A new school house required, and steps are being taken to provide one.

LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 25th June, 1869. Boundaries:—"According to official map." Teacher, Mr. Wm. Harrison, duly certificated, and recently appointed. Salary, \$60 per month. Visited the school under former teacher, Mr. L. Fraser, on 25th April. Found ten children in attendance, all backward, and most of them beginners. About 25 school-going children in District. School house in tolerable repair. Lot, one-fourth of an acre, requires fencing and out-buildings.

SAANICH SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 25th June, 1869. Boundaries:—"The District of North and South Saanich." School house and teacher's residence are in South Saanich, and much in need of repairs. They are located some distance from the territorial centre of that portion of the district. Mr. George Wilson, a graduate of Aberdeen, Scotland, has been recently appointed teacher. Salary, \$60 per month. Visited the District, South and North, July 24th. There are 42 children of school age in the Southern portion of the District; some of them, however, too far distant to attend the present school conveniently. School house should be moved, or a new one erected so as to accommodate all as equally as possible. In North Saanich there are seventeen children of school age; most of them from five to seven miles from the present school house, and consequently not able to go at all. From the peculiar conformation of the Saanich peninsula, two very compact School Districts can be made, as it ranges from about four miles in the South to less than two in the North, from East to West, and ten or eleven miles from North to South. With a school house as near each centre as practicable, it would be easily accessible to every settler.

SOUTH COWICHAN SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 16th June, 1869. Boundaries:—"The District of Shawnigan and those portions of the Cowichan and Quamichan Districts which are situate to the South of the Cowichan River." Teacher, Mr. A. W. Rogers. Duly qualified and appointed July 23rd, 1872; salary, \$50 per month. Visited the District 23rd and 24th June. There are two School houses about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles apart, one on the summit of the hill above Harris' Landing, and the other on the Nanaimo Road, the above-mentioned distance West. Both require repair before bad weather sets in.

The one at Harris' being only a shell about 12x14 with roof of boards and very leaky. It was built in 1862 by the Lands and Works Department, at the cost of about \$100, and was for some time used as a branch Land Office.* The other is a log house and about the same size. Both will need stoves and proper desks and seats. In Harris' section of the District there are nine children ready to go to school. On the other side there are but six. Only fifteen therefore within reach of the two School houses. Instructions have been sent to Mr. Rogers to teach two hours in each School house every teaching day,—alternating morning and afternoon weekly. Where it is absolutely necessary that the teacher should itinerate this method is far preferable to giving instruction in each school a day, week, month, or quarter in turn, as ample justice can be done to the few pupils in attendance during that time, and they are by this means kept at their lessons daily. The teacher thus has two hours of school time for travelling from one school house to the other.

Sayward's Mill portion of this District is seven miles from the nearest School house, and therefore inaccessible both winter and summer. There are nine or ten children at the Mill and in its vicinity; and the settlers are proposing to apply for aid next spring under Sub-section 4, Section 6 of the School Act.

NORTH COWICHAN SCHOOL DISTRICT was established 16th June, 1870. Boundaries:—"The Districts of Somenos and Comiakén, and those portions of the Quamichan and Cowichan Districts which are situate North of the Cowichan River." Teacher, Mr. R. M. Clemitson. Certificate from the Board of Education. Received his appointment July 23rd, 1872. Salary, \$50 per month. Visited the District 26th and 27th June. School just opened in Wesleyan Methodist Church, which will be used till new School house in course of erection shall be finished. There are about twenty-two children of School age in the District, counting six in Somenos about four miles from the School house site and three or four as far away in another direction. The proposed location for the school, at the junction of the roads between Somenos and Quamichan Lakes with the Maple Bay road, is perhaps the best possible site. But some of the settlers will be unable to avail themselves of School privileges on account of distance, bad roads, and wild beasts. Several of the inhabitants are advocating the establishment of a boarding school system, and think it might be worked to advantage in the Cowichan District, so as to collect all the children into one School from Shawnigan to Chemainus, a distance of 24 miles in length and in some places seven or eight in breadth. In the whole of this extensive District there are only about forty children of School age.

SALT SPRING ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed July 30th, 1870. Boundaries:—"All that piece of land known on the Official Map as Salt Spring or Admiral Island." Mr. J. C. Jones is teaching under a temporary arrangement till the end of the year. Salary \$40 per month. Visited the Island on 27th and 28th June. Found the teacher engaged at the Northern or Beggs' Settlement, where School had been kept for three months previously. The 28th was examination day, but there were only three pupils in attendance—two girls and a boy. The boy was working in Latin Grammar, having become such a proficient in English Grammar and Geography that those studies were dropped a year ago and Latin substituted!! So the teacher reported. An examination in those branches and arithmetic did not by any means establish the fact of former proficiency. Teacher's time comparatively wasted by itinerating between the Middle and Northern Settlements. Circumstances do not warrant it, as none of the children are more than three miles from the School house and the road is improving year by year. There are 25 children of School age in the two settlements above referred to, of whom seven reside in the Northern and sixteen in the middle settlement.

There is an interesting and thriving settlement between Burgoyne Bay and Fulford Harbor, about three miles in extent. Several families are already located, having amongst them 21 children, about half of whom are of school age. An application has been recently sent to the Government asking for aid to erect a school house and pay a teacher. Those settlers are fully eight miles from the middle settlement school house.

NANAIMO SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 30th July, 1870. Boundaries:—"All that piece of land included within a circle having a radius of three miles from the Court House." A school was established, however, as before stated, in 1855. Teacher, Mr. C. N. Young, is certificated by the Board. Appointed June 7th; salary, \$75 per month.

* Destroyed by a bush fire since the above was written.

A lady teacher, Miss Mahood,* has recently been appointed to take charge of the girls' department; salary, \$60 per month. Her duties will begin as soon as the new school house about to be erected can be made ready for pupils. Visited school on 2nd July. School commenced with 10 pupils. Kept dropping in till 26 arrived. Eleven boys and fifteen girls. Children somewhat disorderly, and but little attention paid to teacher. Discipline and arrangement of studies very deficient. Reading and spelling not creditable. For want of books a large class, not far enough advanced for Third Reader, were reading in the Fifth. Writing, particularly girls', not at all good. Arithmetic behind what it ought to be. Geography and Grammar unsatisfactory. School-room of the worst possible description. But little accommodation for writing. Seats too high, and consequently uncomfortable. Number of children of school age in and about Nanaimo, as nearly as can be ascertained, 175.

Visited Gabriola Island on 1st July, where the settlers are taking steps to establish a School District; as among the twenty-four children on the island, there are some 15 or 16 of school age. The two settlements are from three to seven miles apart, and the centre of the island being at present unoccupied, there may be some difficulty in locating the school house.

COMOX SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 30th July, 1870, and consists of "all that piece of land known on the Official Map as the District of Comox." Visited on 3rd July. Found that no school had been kept for three months, the teacher, Mr. Rees, having resigned, when the building used as a school house, which belongs to the Episcopal Church, was required for Mission purposes. Mr. S. F. Crawford, a regularly certificated teacher, received the appointment on 23rd July; salary, \$50 per month. Duties to commence when the new school house about to be erected can be made ready for pupils. It is to be built near the Episcopal Church, this being considered the most eligible location. There will, however, be many difficulties in the way of children reaching that point from the two extremities of the district.

NEW WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Established June 4th, 1870. Boundaries: "A radius of two miles from Lytton Square, New Westminster." Teacher, Mr. Wm. H. Burr, duly qualified. Appointed June 7th, 1872. Salary, \$80 per month. Visited school June 14th. Thirty-three pupils in attendance, of those seven were girls. Reading and spelling to Fourth Book of Lessons very good. Arithmetic backward, the pupils being in simple rules only. Grammar not far advanced, nor thorough so far as the class has gone. Geography not creditable. Writing good. School orderly and quiet. School house the best in the Province, but somewhat out of repair. Well adapted for two departments—male and female. A good supply of maps and charts in duplicate. Deficient, however, in blackboards. Estimated number of school-going children in the District, 150. Miss M. Glyde, who is duly qualified, recently received the appointment of teacher in the Girls' Department. Salary, \$60 per month.

LANGLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Established 30th April, 1871. Boundaries:—"Starting on the left bank of the Fraser, at the extreme North-west corner of the Town Site of Derby; thence a right line Southerly, 4½ miles; thence Easterly, parallel with the river, 6 miles; thence a right line back to the river, and across the Fraser, and also extending a distance inward of ½ mile; thence down the right bank of, and parallel with, the river, as far as Kanaka Creek; thence down said creek, to its confluence with the Fraser, at a point directly opposite the old Government Buildings at Derby." Teacher, Mr. W. W. Gibbs, certificated by the Board. Appointed June 21st; salary, \$55 per month. Visited district on 12th June. School had been closed since 1st May. School house, and dwelling attached, are a little out of repair. No maps or blackboards. Good well of water with pump. About 30 children in the district.

BURRARD INLET SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed 27th July, 1870. Comprises:—"All that piece of land included within the Shore line of Burrard Inlet and a line drawn round said Inlet at a distance of one mile therefrom." Teacher, Miss Laura A. Haynes, appointed July 9th under a temporary arrangement to end of year. Salary, \$40 per month. Visited school June 18th. Sixteen children in attendance—nine girls and seven boys. School orderly and quiet. All merely beginners. Reading and spelling not very good. Arithmetic and geography just commenced. No grammar. But little progress made in writing. School-room small; erected and furnished by the mill pro-

* Since transferred to Girls' Department, Victoria, as Assistant.

prietors, Messrs. Moody, Dietz & Nelson. No maps or blackboard. Twenty-five children of school age in district.

GRANVILLE OR HASTINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT is not yet established under the School Act. Steps were taken early in the current year to form the District, but the matter was deferred till after the passage of the School Act. A teacher, Miss Georgina Sweney, has been appointed, however, temporarily till close of year. Salary, \$40 per month. School-room large and comfortable, put up by the mill proprietors, and used as a church. Desks, blackboards, etc., required. About 20 children in district.

School statistics, as complete and full as I can possibly make them; list of Districts organized and supplied with qualified teachers, and those under temporary arrangements; number of new Districts; expenditure for salaries; remarks on the working of the School Act; the suggesting of amendments; the advisability of establishing a system of Boarding Schools, as a means of saving expenditure, in districts where population is scattered, so as to bring educational advantages within reach of a large number of settlers who otherwise would be deprived of them, etc., etc., must form a part of Supplementary Report, which shall be laid before Your Excellency with as little delay as possible after my annual tour shall be completed.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient, humble servant,

JOHN JESSOP.

*Education Office,
Victoria, 30th August, 1872.*

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.



ANNO TRICESIMO QUINTO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

NO. 16.

An Act respecting Public Schools.

A. D. 1872.

[Assented to 11th April, 1872.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that provision should be made for the establishment, maintenance, and management of Public Schools throughout the Province of British Columbia: Preamble.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

1. "The Common School Ordinance, 1869," and "The Common School Amendment Ordinance, 1870," are hereby respectively repealed. Repeals School Ordinances.

2. On the 1st day of April, A. D. 1872, there shall be set apart by the Officer in Charge of the Treasury for the time being, out of the General Revenue of the Province, the sum of forty thousand Dollars for Public School purposes, and in each subsequent year such sum shall be set apart as aforesaid as may be voted by the Legislative Assembly for the purposes aforesaid, and the said sums of money shall be called the "Public School Fund." Public School Fund.

Board of Education.

3. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, by Letters Patent under the Seal of the Province, appoint six fit and proper persons to be a Board of Education for the Province of British Columbia, and the persons so appointed shall respectively hold office during the pleasure of the Lieutenant-Governor; in the event of any one or more of the persons so appointed resigning, dying, or being removed from office, the vacancy or vacancies so occasioned may be filled up by new appointments in manner aforesaid. Appointment of Education Board.

Superintendent.

4. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint a Superintendent of Education for the Province of British Columbia, who shall be ex officio Chairman of the Board of Education, and such Superintendent shall hold office during the pleasure of the Lieutenant-Governor, and shall receive as an annual salary the sum of two thousand dollars, together with such additional allowance or remuneration as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may grant for travelling expenses. And when and so often as a vacancy shall occur in the office of Superintendent, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint a fit and proper person to the office so vacated, and such person shall hold office during the pleasure of the Lieutenant-Governor. Provided, always, that no person shall be eligible for Superintendent unless he has been an experienced and successful Teacher of at least five years' standing, and holds a first class certificate from some College, School, or Board of Examination in some other Province or Country where a Public School System has been in operation. Appointment of Superintendent.

School Districts.

5. All School Districts existing at the date when this Act shall come into operation shall continue until altered as hereinafter provided. Existing Districts.

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New Districts.

6. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council from time to time—

- (1.) To create School Districts, in addition to those already existing, and to define the boundaries thereof, and from time to time to alter the boundaries of existing, or hereafter created Districts. Provided that no School District shall be created wherein there shall not be at least fifteen children of school age, between five and sixteen years of age :
- Waste Lands. (2.) To set apart in every School District such a quantity of the waste lands of the Crown as in his opinion may be necessary for school purposes in such District :
- Money Grants. (3.) To grant, on the application of the School Trustees of any such School District, indorsed by the Superintendent of Education, such sum or sums of money as may be required by them to pay the salary of the Teacher in such School District ; to defray the cost of erecting a School House or providing a house or room within which the Public School of such District may be held ; the cost of all furniture and apparatus necessary for the use of any such school, and the current expenses connected therewith.
- Ditto. (4.) To grant such sum as he shall think proper in aid of the establishment of a school in any part of the Province not being a School District, and not having less than seven, and not more than fourteen children, between the age of five and sixteen years, resident therein.

Duties of the Board of Education.

Defines duties of Education Board.

7. It shall be the duty of the Board of Education—

- (1.) To meet not less than once in every three months, and they shall have power to determine the times and places of their meetings, the order of their proceedings, and the manner of recording them :
- (2.) To cause to be made and kept a proper record of their proceedings :
- (3.) To adopt all such lawful means in their power, as they deem expedient, to advance the interests and usefulness of Public Schools :
- (4.) To select, adopt, and prescribe a uniform series of text books to be used in the Public Schools of the Province, and to authorize the purchase and distribution thereof, by the Superintendent, among the different Public Schools, in such numbers and quantities as they may think fit :
- (5.) To make and establish rules and regulations for the conduct of Public Schools :
- (6.) To examine and give certificates of qualification to Teachers of Public Schools. Such certificates shall be of three classes, viz. :—a first class certificate, a second class certificate, and a third class certificate. A first class certificate shall be deemed good until revoked by the Board of Education ; a second class certificate shall be deemed good for three years, and no longer ; and a third class certificate shall be deemed good for one year, and no longer, unless renewed as hereinafter provided :
- (7.) Every such certificate of qualification shall have the signature of at least three members of the Board of Education, but no such certificate shall be given to any Teacher who does not furnish satisfactory proof of good moral character :
- (8.) To appoint the Teacher or Teachers, in any School District, and to fix the salary or salaries of such Teacher or Teachers ; and, upon good cause shown, to remove the same :
- (9.) To take charge of and keep safely all apparatus to be purchased as hereinafter provided for school purposes in this Province, and to furnish, on the application of the Trustees of any District, endorsed by the Superintendent of Education, such apparatus as may be required for the School or Schools in such District :

- (10.) To purchase such apparatus as in their judgment may be necessary for the use of the Public Schools in the Province: A. D. 1872.
- (11.) To establish a separate School for females in any District where they may deem it expedient so to do; and such School, when so established, may be presided over by a female Teacher or Teachers, but otherwise shall be subject to the same obligations and regulations as Public Schools generally under this Act:
- (12.) To establish a High School in any District where they may deem it expedient so to do, wherein the classics, mathematics, and higher branches of Education shall be taught; and such school shall be subject to the same obligations and regulations as Public Schools generally:
- (13.) At a meeting of the Board of Education three shall constitute a quorum for examining and giving certificates of qualification to Public School Teachers, and five shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any other business.

Duties of Superintendent.

8. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent—

Defines duties of Superintendent.

- (1.) To visit each Public School within his jurisdiction, once in each year at least, unless oftener required by the Board of Education, or for the adjustment of disputes:
- (2.) To examine, at each yearly visit, the state and condition of the school, as respects the progress of the pupils in learning, the order and discipline observed, the system of instruction pursued, the mode of keeping the school registers, the average attendance of pupils, the character and condition of the buildings and premises, and to give such advice as he may judge proper:
- (3.) To deliver, in each School District, at least once a year, a public lecture on some subject connected with the objects, principles, and means of practical education; and to do all in his power to persuade and animate parents, guardians, trustees, and teachers to improve the character and efficiency of the Public Schools, and to secure the sound education of the young generally:
- (4.) To see that the schools are managed and conducted according to law, to prevent the use of unauthorized, and to recommend the use of authorized, books in each school:
- (5.) To suspend the certificate of qualification of any Teacher granted by the Board of Education, for any cause which may appear to him to require it, until the ensuing meeting of the Board of Education, of which meeting due notice shall be given by the said Superintendent to the Teacher suspended; and the Board of Education shall confirm or disallow the action of the Superintendent in suspending such Teacher, as a majority of the members of the Board present at such meeting shall think proper; and the cancellation or suspension of a Teacher's certificate, when confirmed by the Board of Education, shall release the School Trustees of the District in which such Teacher may be employed from any obligation to continue to employ him as such Teacher:
- (6.) To give any candidate, on due examination by him, according to the programme authorized for the examination of Teachers, a certificate of qualification to teach any school, the Teacher of which may have had his certificate of qualification suspended under the provisions of the next preceding clause, until (but no longer than) the next ensuing meeting of the Board of Education:
- (7.) To make annually, on or before the 1st day of September, a report of the actual state of the Public Schools throughout the Province, showing the number of pupils taught in each School District, over the age of 5 years and under the age of 16, the branches taught and average attendance, the amount of moneys expended in connection with each

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school, the number of visits made by him, the salaries of Teachers, the number of qualified Teachers, their standing and sex, together with any other information that he may possess respecting the educational state and wants and advantages of each school and district in the Province, and such statements and suggestions for improving the Public Schools and school laws and promoting education generally, as he may deem useful and expedient:

- (8.) To be responsible for all moneys paid through him on behalf of the Public Schools, and to give such security as the Lieutenant-Governor may require:
- (9.) To prepare suitable forms and to give such instructions as he may judge necessary and proper for making all reports and conducting all proceedings under this Act, and to cause the same, with such general regulations as may be approved of by the Board of Education for the better organization and government of Public Schools, to be transmitted to the officers required to execute the provisions of this Act:
- (10.) Within twenty days after any complaint shall be made to him respecting the mode of conducting any election of Trustees (as hereinafter provided for) to investigate such complaint and, according to the best of his judgment, confirm or set aside such election; and in the latter case he shall appoint the time and place for a new election in such District.

School Trustees.

- Number of Trustees.** 9. For each School District there shall be three Trustees, each of whom, after the first election of Trustees, shall hold office for three years and until his successor shall have been elected.
- Existing Trustees:** 10. The School Trustees in any District existing at the time this Act shall come into force, shall continue to hold office until the annual election of Trustees in 1873, and no longer unless re-elected.
- Annual Meeting.** 11. An annual meeting for the election of School Trustees, shall be held in all School Districts in the Province on the second Wednesday in January in each year, commencing at twelve of the clock noon.
- Substituted Trustee.** 12. Any Trustee elected to fill an occasional vacancy shall hold office only for the unexpired term of the person in whose place he has been elected.
- No Superintendent or Teacher Trustee.** 13. No Trustee shall hold the office of Superintendent or Teacher within the District of which he is a Trustee.
- New Districts.** 14. Immediately after the formation of any new School District or Districts, pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the Superintendent of Education shall prepare notices in writing describing such District or Districts respectively, and appoint a time and place for the first school meeting for the election of Trustees, and shall cause copies of such notices to be posted in at least three public places in each of such School Districts at least ten days before the time of holding the meeting; and the Trustees elected at any such meeting shall respectively hold office up to the next annual meeting for the election of Trustees, and no longer.
- School Meetings.** 15. The proceedings at any school meetings held under the authority of the next preceding section of this Act, shall be conducted in all respects in the manner hereinafter provided with respect to annual meetings in School Districts for the election of Trustees.

Annual School Meetings.

- Annual Meeting.** 16. The voters of a School District, present at any school meeting held under the authority of this Act, shall elect one of their own number to preside over the proceedings of such meeting, and shall also appoint a Secretary, who shall record all proceedings of the meeting.
- Chairman.** 17. The Chairman of such meeting shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the meeting, and in case of an equality of votes, shall give the casting vote, but he shall have no vote except as Chairman.

18. The Chairman shall take the votes by a show of hands unless he be requested by any two electors present to grant a poll for recording the names of the voters, in which case he shall grant such poll, and the names of the voters shall be recorded by the Secretary. At the first school meeting held in any District under this Act, the electors present shall, by a majority of votes, elect from the voters in such District three Trustees.

19. The Trustees so elected at the first annual school meeting in any District shall respectively hold office as follows:—

- (1.) The person first elected, or in case of a poll, the person receiving the largest number of votes shall continue in office for two years, to be reckoned from the annual school meeting next after his election, and from that time onward until his successor shall have been elected:
- (2.) The second person elected, or in case of a poll, receiving the next greatest number of votes shall continue in office one year, to be reckoned from the same period and until his successor shall have been elected:
- (3.) The third or last person elected, or in case of a poll, the person receiving the least number of votes shall continue in office until the next ensuing annual school meeting in such District and until his successor shall have been elected.

20. A correct copy of the proceedings of such first, and of every annual, and of every special School District meeting in such District, signed by the Chairman and Secretary, shall be forthwith transmitted by the Secretary in such School District to the Superintendent of Education.

21. A Trustee shall be elected to office at each ensuing annual school meeting, in place of any Trustee whose term of office is about to expire; and the same individual, if willing, may be re-elected: but no School Trustee shall be re-elected, except by his own consent, during the four years next after his going out of office.

22. At every annual school meeting the report of the Trustees, as required by the 30th Section of this Act, shall be received and decided upon.

23. Any male householder or freeholder resident in a School District shall be entitled to vote at any school meeting held in such School District.

24. If any person offering to vote at an annual or other school meeting is challenged or unqualified by any legal voter, the Chairman presiding at such meeting shall require the person so offering to make the following declaration:—

“I do declare and affirm that I am a householder [or freeholder as the case may be] in this School District, and that I am legally qualified to vote at this meeting.”

And every person making such declaration shall be permitted to vote on all questions proposed at such meeting; but if any person refuse to make such declaration, his vote shall be rejected.

25. Any person wilfully making a false declaration of his right to vote shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and, on a summary conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace, shall be sentenced therefor to imprisonment for any period not exceeding three months, or to a fine not greater than one hundred dollars.

Trustees, their powers, responsibilities, and duties.

26. The Trustees of any School District duly elected, shall be a corporation, under the name of “The Trustees of the _____ School District.”

27. It shall be the duty of the Trustees of each School District to appoint the place of each annual school meeting of the voters of the District, or of a special meeting for the filling up of any vacancy in the Trustee Corporation occasioned by death, removal, or other cause, and to cause notices of the time and place to be posted in three or more public places of such District, at least ten days before the holding of such meeting, and to specify in such notices the object of such meeting, they may also call and give like notices of any special meeting, for any school purpose which they may think proper and each of such meetings shall be organized and its proceedings recorded in the same manner as in the case of a first school meeting.

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Annual Meeting.

28. In case, from the want of proper notices, or from any other cause, any annual School meeting, required to be held for the election of Trustees, shall not be held at the proper time, any two voters in such District may, within twenty days after the time at which such meeting should have been held, call a meeting by given ten days' notice, to be posted in at least three public places in such School District, and the meeting then called shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of the meeting in the place of which it is called.

Resignation of Trustees. 29. Any person chosen as Trustee may resign, with the consent, expressed in writing of his colleagues in office and of the Superintendent.

Defines duties of Trustees 30. It shall be the duty of the Trustees of each School District to appoint one of themselves to be Secretary and Treasurer to the Corporation, who shall give such security as may be required by a majority of the Trustees, for the correct and safe keeping and forthcoming, when called for, of the papers and moneys belonging to the Corporation, and for the correct keeping of a record of their proceedings in a book procured for that purpose, and for the receiving and accounting for all school moneys which shall come into his hands, and for the disbursing of such moneys in the manner directed by the majority of the Trustees. The Trustees shall take possession and have the custody of and safe keeping of all Public School property, which has been acquired or given for Public School purposes in such District, and shall have power to acquire and hold as a Corporation, by any title whatsoever, any land, moveable property or income for school purposes, and to apply the same according to the terms on which the same were acquired or received; to do whatever they shall judge expedient with regard to the building, repairing, renting, warming, furnishing, and keeping in order the District School House or Houses, and the furniture and appendages belonging thereto, and the school lands and inclosures held by them; to pay the Teacher or Teachers employed in their District the salary or salaries of such Teacher or Teachers; to visit, from time to time, each school under their charge, and see that it is conducted according to the authorized regulations, and that such school is duly provided with a register; to see that no unauthorized books are used in the school, and that the pupils are duly supplied with a uniform series of authorized text books, sanctioned and recommended by the Board of Education; to exercise all the corporate powers vested in them by this Act; to cause to be prepared and read at the annual meeting of their District their annual school report for the year then terminating; and such report shall include, amongst other things, a full and detailed account of the receipt and expenditure of all school money received and expended in behalf of such District, for any purpose whatever, during such year; to prepare and transmit annually, on or before the fifteenth day of January, a report to the Superintendent of Education, signed by a majority of the Trustees, and shall specify therein—

- (1.) The whole time the school in their District was kept by a qualified Teacher, during the year ending the 31st day of December:
- (2.) The amount of money received for the School District, and the manner in which such money shall have been expended.
- (3.) The whole number of children residing in the School District over the age of five years and under sixteen; the number of children taught in the school or schools respectively in such District, distinguishing the sexes and the average attendance of pupils in both winter and summer:
- (4.) The branches of education taught in the school, the number of pupils in each branch, the text books used, the number of public school examinations, visits, and lectures, and by whom made or delivered, and such other information as may be required.

Site for School.

31. No steps shall be taken by the Trustees of any School District for procuring a site on which to erect a school house, without calling a special meeting of the voters of their District, to consider the matter; and in case of a difference of opinion, as to the site of the school house, between a majority of the Trustees and a majority of the voters in such District, at such special meeting, each party shall choose an arbitrator, and the Superintendent of

Education, or, in case of his inability to attend, any person appointed by him to act in his behalf, shall be a third arbitrator, and such three arbitrators, or a majority of them, shall finally decide the matter. A. D. 1872.

32. Whenever, from the scattered nature of the population in any School District, the Trustees shall think it advisable to have the School of such District held part of the year in one part of the District, and during the remainder of the year in another part of such District, they shall have power to order the same to be done by the Teacher or Teachers in such District. School held in different parts of District.

33. No person shall be appointed as a Teacher in any Public School, unless he shall hold a first, second, or third class certificate of qualification from the Board of Education. Teacher to hold certificate.

Public School Teachers and their Duties.

34. It shall be the duty of every Teacher of a Public School—

Defines duties of Teachers

- (1.) To teach diligently and faithfully all the branches required to be taught in the School, according to the terms of his engagement with the Trustees, and according to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Education :
- (2.) To keep the daily, weekly, and monthly registers of the School :
- (3.) To maintain proper order and discipline in his School, according to the authorised forms and regulations :
- (4.) To keep a visitors' book (which the Trustees shall provide) and enter therein the visits made to his School, and to present such book to such visitor, and request him to make therein any remarks suggested by his visit :
- (5.) At all times, when desired by them, to give to Trustees and visitors access to the registers and visitors' book appertaining to the School, and upon his leaving the School to deliver up the same to the order of the Trustees :
- (6.) To have at the end of each half-year public examinations of his school, of which he shall give due notice to the Trustees of the school, and through his pupils to their parents and guardians :
- (7.) To furnish to the Superintendent of Education, when desired, any information which it may be in his power to give respecting any thing connected with the operation of his school, or in anywise affecting its interests or character.

General Provisions.

35. All Public Schools established under the provisions of this Act, shall be conducted upon strictly non-sectarian principles. The highest morality shall be inculcated, but no religious dogmas or creed shall be taught. All Judges, Clergymen, Members of the Legislature, and others interested in education, shall be school visitors. All Schools non-sectarian

Penal Clauses.

36. Any person who wilfully disturbs, interrupts, or disquiets the proceedings of any school meeting authorized to be held by this Act, or any school established and conducted under its authority, or interrupts or disquiets any Public School by rude or indecent behaviour, or by making a noise either within the place where such school is kept or held, or so near thereto as to disturb the order or exercises of such school shall, for each offence on conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace, on the oath of one credible witness, forfeit and pay, for Public School purposes, to the School District within which the offence was committed such sum not exceeding twenty dollars, together with the costs of the conviction, as the said Justice may think fit. Penalty on disturbing School.

37. All fines, penalties, and forfeitures mentioned in this Act may be sued for, recovered, and enforced, with costs, by and before any Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction within the School District in which such fine or penalty has been incurred, and if any such fine, or penalty and costs be not forthwith paid, the same shall, by and under the warrant of the convicting Penalties leviable by distress.

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Justice, be enforced, levied, and collected, with costs of distress, and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, and shall by such Justice be paid over to the Treasurer of the School District; and in default of such distress, such Justice shall by his warrant cause the offender to be imprisoned for any time not exceeding thirty days, unless the fine and costs, and the reasonable expenses of endeavouring to collect the same, be sooner paid.

Short Titles.

38. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Public School Act, 1872."

APPENDIX B.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

1. The hours of teaching in each School shall be from 9 A. M. to 12 M., and from 1 P. M. to 3.30 P. M., from April to September, inclusive; and from 9.30 A. M. to 12 M., and from 1 P. M. to 3 P. M., from October to March, inclusive.

2. Every Saturday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Queen's Birthday, Dominion Day, and Prince of Wales' Birthday shall be a Holiday in each School. There shall be a recess of fifteen minutes in the middle of each morning's work.

3. There shall be two vacations in each year; the first, or Summer vacation, shall continue for one month, from the first Monday in July or August, at the option of the Trustee Board in each School District; the Second, for two weeks, at Christmas and New Year.

4. Young children, not being pupils of the School, shall not be allowed to accompany teachers or pupils, as such a practice tends to the interruption of the regular business of the School.

5. No teacher shall be deprived of any part of his or her salary on account of observing allowed holidays and vacations.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

It shall be the duty of every Teacher of a Public School—

- (1.) To teach diligently and faithfully all the branches required to be taught in the School, according to the terms of his engagement with the Trustees, and according to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Education:
- (2.) To keep the daily, weekly, and monthly registers of the School:
- (3.) To maintain proper order and discipline in his School, according to the authorized forms and regulations:
- (4.) To keep a visitors' book (which the Trustees shall provide), and enter therein the visits made to his School, and to present such book to such visitor, and request him to make therein any remarks suggested by his visit:
- (5.) At all times, when desired by them, to give to Trustees and Visitors access to the registers and visitors' book appertaining to the School, and upon his leaving the School to deliver up the same to the order of the Trustees:
- (6.) To have, at the end of each half-year, public examinations of his School, of which he shall give due notice to the Trustees of the School, and through his pupils to their parents and guardians:
- (7.) To furnish to the Superintendent of Education, when desired, any information which it may be in his power to give respecting anything connected with the operation of his School, or in anywise affecting its interests or character:
- (8.) To classify the pupils according to their respective abilities:

- (9.) To observe and impress upon the minds of the pupils, the great rule of regularity and order,—A TIME AND PLACE FOR EVERYTHING, AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PROPER TIME AND PLACE :
- (10.) To promote, both by precept and example, CLEANLINESS, NEATNESS, and DECENCY. To personally inspect the children every morning, to see that they have their hands and faces washed, their hair combed, and clothes clean. The School apartments, too, should be swept and dusted every evening :
- (11.) To pay the strictest attention to the morals and general conduct of the pupils ; to omit no opportunity of inculcating the principles of TRUTH and HONESTY ; the duties of respect to superiors, and obedience to all persons placed in authority over them :
- (12.) To evince a regard for the improvement and general welfare of the pupils ; to treat them with kindness, combined with firmness ; and to aim at governing them by their affections and reason rather than harshness and severity :
- (13.) To cultivate kindly and affectionate feelings among the pupils ; to discountenance quarrelling, cruelty to animals, and every approach to vice :
- (14.) To practice such discipline in School as would be exercised by a judicious parent in the family, avoiding corporal punishment, except when it shall appear to him to be imperatively necessary ; and then a record of the offence and the punishment shall be made in the School register for the inspection of Trustees and Visitors :
- (15.) No Teacher shall compel the services of pupils for his own private benefit or convenience :
- (16.) For gross misconduct, or a violent or wilful opposition to authority, the teacher may suspend a pupil from attending School, forthwith informing the parent or guardian of the fact, and the reason of it. But no pupil shall be expelled without the authority of the Trustees :
- (17.) When the example of any pupil is very hurtful, and reformation appears hopeless, it shall be the duty of the Teacher, with the approbation of the Trustees, to expel such pupil from the School. But any pupil under the public censure, who shall express to the Teacher his regret for such a course of conduct, as openly and explicitly as the case may require, shall, with the approbation of the Trustees and Teacher, be re-admitted to the School :
- (18.) Provided the number of children at any School be not less than thirty, the Teacher's salary shall be increased to an extent not exceeding \$150, by an allowance of \$5 for each child of School age in regular attendance over and above three-fourths of the whole number of such children in the district or section to which the School may pertain :
- (19.) If and so long as three-fourths of the children of School age in any School district or section do not attend school, the Board of Education will consider it a ground for dismissal of the Teacher, unless satisfactory reasons be shewn to them to the contrary. Teachers may obtain and transmit to the Board, through the Superintendent, a written statement signed by the parents or guardians of non-attending children, or a majority of them, giving the reasons for such non-attendance :
- (20.) To such five, or any smaller number out of the whole body of Teachers, as shall be judged by the Board to be deserving of special commendation for efficiency as manifested in the system adopted, the order and discipline maintained, and the improvement of their pupils, the Board may award annually, as increased salary, in such proportion to each as they shall deem proper, a premium or bonus not exceeding in the aggregate \$750. Such award shall not be less, in any case, than \$50.

DUTIES OF PUPILS, PARENTS, AND GUARDIANS.

- (1.) Pupils must come to School clean and neat in their persons and clothes, and be present at the commencement of each day's work :
- (2.) No pupils shall, without the Teacher's consent, depart before the time appointed for closing the School :
- (3.) A pupil absenting himself or herself from the School, except on account of sickness, or other urgent reasons satisfactory to the Teacher, forfeits his or her standing in the class and must undergo such other punishment as the Teacher may deem necessary :
- (4.) The parents or guardians of all pupils shall furnish their children with the authorized text books, to be obtained from the Teachers of the respective Schools, who are to charge therefor the prices agreed upon by the Board of Education ; but, in case of inability to comply with this rule, the Teacher may, under special circumstances, supply the necessary

books free of cost; but every such case must be reported to the Superintendent of Education.

OPENING AND CLOSING EXERCISES.

With a view to secure the Divine blessing, and to impress upon the pupils the importance of religious duties, and their entire dependence on their Maker, it is recommended that the daily exercises of each Public School be opened and closed by prayer. The Lord's Prayer alone, or the Forms of Prayer hereto annexed may be used; but the Lord's Prayer should form part of the opening exercises, and the Ten Commandments be taught to all the pupils, and be repeated at least once a month; but no pupil shall be compelled to be present at these exercises against the wish of his or her parent or guardian expressed in writing to the Teacher.

FORMS OF PRAYER.

Morning.

Let us pray :

O Lord our Heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power: and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Almighty God, the giver of every good and perfect gift, the fountain of all wisdom, enlighten we beseech thee our understandings by thy Holy Spirit, and grant that whilst with all diligence and sincerity we apply ourselves to the attainment of human knowledge, we fail not constantly to strive after that wisdom which maketh wise unto salvation: that so through thy mercy we may daily be advanced both in learning and Godliness to the honour and praise of thy name through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Evening Prayer.

Let us pray :

Most merciful God, we yield thee our humble and hearty thanks for thy fatherly care and preservation of us this day, and for the progress which thou hast enabled us to make in useful learning: we pray thee to imprint upon our minds whatever good instructions we have received, and to bless them to the advancement of our temporal and eternal welfare: and pardon, we implore thee, all that thou hast seen amiss in our thoughts, words, actions. May thy good providence still guide and keep us during the approaching interval of rest and relaxation, so that we may be prepared to enter on the duties of the morrow with renewed vigour both of body and mind; and preserve us we beseech thee now and for ever, both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord: and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

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APPENDIX C.

RULES FOR THE EXAMINATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF QUALIFICATION.

That in order to secure as far as possible uniformity and the utmost fairness to candidates in their examination and the issuance of certificates to them according to their respective degrees of merit, the following Rules shall guide the proceedings of the Board of Education in those important matters.

1. Due notice of the time and place at which an examination is to be held shall be given to all applicants for certificates; and during the examination, the Superintendent, and, if possible, one or more of the other members of the Board shall be present to afford the candidates such explanations and proper facilities as may be required. Should it be desirable at any time to hold an examination of candidates at a distance from Victoria where a member of the Board cannot be present, the Board will make such other suitable arrangements in each case as shall ensure a proper examination.

2. To each branch or subject of examination there shall be attached an invariable standard or number of marks of value; and the proportionate value of the answers given by candidates shall be ascertained and determined (as hereinafter mentioned in Rules 9 and 10) upon that standard exclusively.

3. The subjects or course of examination, and the standard number of marks attached to them severally shall be the following, or such selection therefrom as the Board may from time to time consider sufficient and necessary; and such selection, if and when made, shall form the full course of examination on that particular occasion, and apply equally in every respect to all candidates then to be examined:—1. Spelling, (200 marks); 2. Reading, (200); 3. Writing, (200); 4. Composition, (200); 5. Grammar, (200); 6. Arithmetic, (200); 7. Book-keeping, (200); 8. Geography, (200); 9. History, (200); 10. Mathematics, (100) for each branch; 11. Latin, (100); 12. French, (50); 13. Drawing, (50); 14. Music, (50). N. B.—These marks are merely arbitrary and only for the sake of convenience, definiteness and precision, and without any reference whatever to the relative importance of the different subjects. The subjects may be increased or diminished at the pleasure of the Board.

4. Individual candidates shall choose for their examination such and as many of the above subjects as they may respectively consider themselves qualified to undertake; bearing in mind that the standing of each as a scholar—and which shall be recorded in his or her certificate, if such be granted—shall be in just proportion to his or her attainments, as shown by the examination, and that therefore it is desirable for their own credit to acquit themselves as well as possible on every subject or part of a subject within their knowledge. Under any circumstances, subjects 1 to must be part of the examination. N. B.—Candidates should be advised of the above before entering on their examination as an incentive to them to do their best.

5. During the present temporary arrangement under which only *Third class* certificates are granted, the minimum per centage of answers to questions (i. e., marks of value), that shall entitle a candidate to obtain such certificate shall be 40 per cent. of the standard marks of value attached to the total subjects forming the prescribed curriculum or course for examination as above set forth in Rule 3.

6. Hereafter, say within twelve months from the date of the Board's inauguration, when the necessary formularies are more perfectly organized than at present, so as to enable the Board to grant 1st, 2nd and 3rd class certificates, the minimum per centage of answers to questions (i. e., marks of value awarded), that shall entitle a candidate to obtain a certificate of the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd class, graduated as undermentioned, shall be respectively the following per centage of the standard marks of value attached to the total subjects, forming the prescribed curriculum or course for examination as above set forth in Rule 3, namely—

First Class (A),	80 per cent.;
First Class (B),	70 per cent.;
Second Class (A),	60 per cent.;
Second Class (B),	50 per cent.;
Third Class (A),	40 per cent.;
Third Class (B),	30 per cent.

7. So soon as the machinery shall be sufficiently matured to admit of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd class certificates being issued, there shall be used at each examination *one set* of papers complete in itself (a paper to a subject) embracing all the subjects that compose the course of examination as above prescribed, and which as a whole shall be open to all competitors indiscriminately. The standard number of marks of value that shall be attached to papers in the higher branches or subjects shall be on a diminished scale (as shown in Rule 3, and in the annexed table), in order that the absence of any one or more of such higher branches or subjects in the case of any candidate who shall be unfit to compete therein, may cause as little disturbance as possible in the equilibrium of the average per centage awarded for the other or more ordinary branches, in which *all* candidates alike should be and are expected to be proficient.

8. The papers respectively (one paper for each branch or subject—always excepting, however, such branches or subjects as have to be judged of *viva voce* or otherwise than by written papers such as reading and spelling, etc.) shall be set or furnished by individual members of the Board whom the Board shall from time to time select or appoint for the purpose. Each paper or subject shall consist of such number of questions not being less than twelve, as the member furnishing it may think proper, and shall have attached to it, invariably, the standard number of marks of value fixed in Rule 3, and in the table annexed hereto, which total or standard number of marks shall, when the paper is furnished, or before it is put into the hands of a candidate, be subdivided or apportioned by the member of the Board who furnished it, according to his judgment, *pro rata* among the several questions contained in the paper. He shall also then fix a reasonable time to be allowed for answering the paper in full—that is sufficient time to admit of the paper being answered correctly by one having such a knowledge of the subject as would be necessary for an efficient teacher of it.

9. Each paper answered, or returned as answered, by a candidate, shall, as soon as convenient thereafter, be scrutinized by the member of the Board who furnished it, or in his absence, or at his request, by the Superintendent or any other member or members of the Board instead of, or in conjunction with him (the member who furnished the paper); and he or they so acting in his stead or in conjunction with him, shall, subject to the inspection or revision of the Board, and before the issuance of a certificate to a candidate, determine by marking on the candidate's paper the proportion of marks to be awarded to each answer given, *such as it shall be*, but of course not exceeding in any case the number previously apportioned (as in Rule 8), to the particular question to which it has been given as an answer; and shall also, subject as aforesaid, ascertain and determine, and mark on the paper in like manner the per centage or proportion per cent. which the total marks thus awarded to a candidate on each subject shall bear to the standard maximum number of marks pertaining to that particular subject.

10. The Board, collectively or by committee, shall finally determine in manner aforesaid, the total number of marks awarded, or to be awarded, to the several candidates on each and all the branches or subjects that formed the course of examination; and also the per centage, or proportion per cent., which that total bears to the standard number of marks pertaining to the whole of those branches or subjects.

11. Certificates shall not be issued for at least one week after the examination of candidates, during which period it shall be open to the several members of the Board to satisfy themselves fully as to the merits of all or any of the candidates by inspection of their answers to the examination papers and the marks awarded, or proposed to be awarded, in respect of such answers.

12. For the satisfaction of candidates as well as of the Board, and for general convenience in any future reference that may be necessary or desirable, each certificate issued shall exhibit in parallel columns (as in the table subjoined)—

- (1.) The standard or invariable number of marks pertaining to each branch or subject, and the total of these:
- (2.) The number of marks awarded on each subject to the bearer of the certificate, and the total thereof:
- (3.) The per centage or proportion per cent. of the marks awarded on each subject to the standard number of marks pertaining to that subject:
- (4.) The per centage or proportion per cent. which the total marks awarded on the whole branches or subjects bear to the total standard number of marks pertaining to all the subjects that formed the course of examination:
- (5.) A series of numbers in a separate column indicating the standing, or scholarship, of the bearer of the certificate on the several subjects of examination.

The precise scope and signification of these indicative numbers are to be defined as follows, namely—

From 0 up to 20 per cent. inclusive.....	0
From 20 per cent. up to 30 per cent.....	10
From 30 per cent. up to 40 per cent.....	9
From 40 per cent. up to 50 per cent.....	8
From 50 per cent. up to 55 per cent.....	7
From 55 per cent. up to 60 per cent.....	6
From 60 per cent. up to 65 per cent.....	5
From 65 per cent. up to 70 per cent.....	4
From 70 per cent. up to 75 per cent.....	3
From 75 per cent. up to 80 per cent.....	2
From 80 per cent. and upwards.....	1

TABLE

Exhibiting the particulars referred to in the foregoing Rules 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12 respectively, and being an example of the form or order in which the several particulars are to be embodied in the certificate to be granted to successful candidates:—

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION.	Fixed Standard Marks of Value.	Marks awarded.		Percentage of total marks (Col. 2) in proportion to Fixed Standard (Col. 1).	Serial numbers indicating Standing on each subject. (Rule 12)
		No.	Percentage of same to Fixed Standard.		
	1	2	3	4	5
ORDINARY SUBJECTS MORE OR LESS ESSENTIAL :					
Spelling.....	200	200	100		1
Reading	200	180	90		1
Writing	200	180	90		1
Composition.....	200	150	75		3
Grammar.....	200	180	90		1
Arithmetic.....	200	180	90		1
Book-keeping.....	200	120	60		6
Geography.....	200	100	50		8
History.....	200	100	50		8
EXTRAORDINARY SUBJECTS LESS OR MORE NON-ESSENTIAL :					
Mathematics, for each branch.....	100	80	80		2
Latin.....	100	70	70		4
French.....	50	20	40		9
Drawing.....	50	10	20		0
Music.....	50	30	60		6
TOTAL.....	2,150	1,600		74 ³ / ₄	

Register of Persons (Teachers and others) holding Certificates from the Board of Education for the Province of British Columbia.

Name.	Certificate.		Examination.			Subjects, (Rule 3.)	Prescribed course of Examination and fixed Standard of Marks; also, Standing or Scholarship of Candidates in each subject as indicated by Marks and per centage of Marks awarded therein.														Fixed Standard of Marks for Prescribed Course of Candidates' Examina- tion. (Rule 3.)	Total Marks Awarded. (Rule 9 and 10.)	Candi- dates' mean per centage of Marks. (Rule)	Appointed as Teacher.			General Remarks &c.						
	Consecutive No.	Grade or Class.	Date.	Date.	Place.		Before or by whom.	Standing, (Rule 3.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12				13	14	Date.		District.	Salary.				
									Spelling.	Reading.	Writing.	Composition.	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Book-keeping.	Geography.	History.	Mathematics.	Latin.	French.				Drawing.	Music.								
								M A R K S .																									
								200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	100	100	50	50	50											
								200	180	180	150	180	180	120	100	100	80	70	20	10	30												
								100	90	90	75	90	90	60	50	50	80	70	40	20	60												
								I N D I C A T I V E N U M B E R S .																									
								1	1	1	3	1	1	6	8	8	2	4	9	9	6												
								M A R K S .																									
								Award,	150	150	100	150	150	180	100	100																	
								Per centage,	90	75	50	75	75	90	50	50																	
								I N D I C A T I V E N U M B E R .																									
								Standing,	1	3	8	3	3	1	8	8																	
A. B.	1	1st (b)	1872. July 1st	1872. July 1st	Victoria	.....		Award (R. 9)	200	180	180	150	180	180	120	100	100	80	70	20	10	30										
								Per centage, (Rule 9.)	100	90	90	75	90	90	60	50	50	80	70	40	20	60											
								Standing, (Rule 12.) Head (R. 5.)	1	1	1	3	1	1	6	8	8	2	4	9	9	6											
C. D.	2	2nd(a)	"	"	"		Award,	150	150	100	150	150	180	100	100																	
								Per centage,	90	75	50	75	75	90	50	50																	
								Standing,	1	3	8	3	3	1	8	8																	
								D E C L I N E D E X A M I N A T I O N O N these subjects, (Rule 4)																									

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that _____ having been
carefully examined in the several Branches named in the margin, is hereby
granted a CLASS CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION, as a Public School
Teacher, in virtue of the powers vested in us by sub-Section 6 of Section 7 of
the "Public School Act, 1872," which Certificate shall be valid in any part of
the Province of British Columbia.

MEMBERS, BOARD OF EDUCATION

STANDING IN the different Branches.	
No. 1 being the highest and 6 lowest.	
Reading.....	
Spelling.....	
Writing.....	
Arithmetic.....	
English Grammar....	
Geography	
History	
Vocal Music.....	
School Organization and Government....	
Composition.....	
Algebra.....	
Geometry	
Mensuration	
Book-keeping	
Natural Philosophy...	
Chemistry.....	
Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene.....	
English Literature...	

Dated at the Education Office, Victoria, this _____
One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-

day of

.....
Superintendent of Education for B. C.

Registered in Certificate Register A,
of the Department, No. _____

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APPENDIX D.

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.—ANNUAL REPORT.

TABLE A.—Pupils attending the Public Schools.

School District.	School population between five and sixteen years of age.	Pupils between five and sixteen attending School.	Pupils of other ages attending School.	Total number of Pupils of all ages attending School.	Boys.	Girls.	No. of Children not attending any School whatever.	Average attendance of Pupils.	Reading.					Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Book-keeping.	Mensuration.	Algebra.	Geometry: Natural Philology.	Vocal Music.	Linear Drawing.	Anatomy, Physiology, & Hygiene.	Writing.	Dictation.	Other Studies.	Remarks.
									1st Class. (Lower.)	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	4th Class.	5th Class.															

TABLE B.—Public School Teachers, and Trustees.

School District.	Names of Teachers and Nationalities.	Date and term of Teacher's engagement.	What class Certificates, and from whom?	Salaries.		Names of Trustees for current year	Remarks.
				Former.	Present or proposed.		

TABLE C.—Public School Houses.

School District.	Number of School houses	What material built of?	Public property, or rented? If rented, what rent per annum?	Total number of School visits in each Term, and the names of all Visitors who have recorded their visits in Visitor's Book.	Remarks.

TABLE D.—Books, Maps, Apparatus, Blackboards, &c., &c.

School District.	What Readers used?	Spelling Book?	Arithmetic?	Grammar?	Geography?	Histories?	Book-keeping?	Algebra?	Geometry?	Other Books?	Maps?	Globes?	Apparatus.	Blackboards?	Remarks.

TABLE E.—Full Returns of Receipts and Expenditure by Trustee Board during the Year.

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TABLE F.—Book Account.

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APPENDIX E.

DETAILS OF EXAMINATIONS AND PAPERS.

The first examination was held in the Education Office, 15th and 16th May, when three candidates presented themselves for certificates, namely Joseph Planta, Wm. W. Gibbs, and Samuel Shannon. Third class certificates were granted to Messrs. Planta and Gibbs.

The next examination was also held in the Education Office, June 1st and 3rd, and certificates (third class) issued to Messrs. Charles N. Young, George Pottinger, Edward Moroney, Lyndon LeLievre, Wm. H. Burr, and Miss Margaret Jane Baxter. Mr. A. W. Rogers' certificate was withheld as he not being sufficiently advanced in one branch; as, however, the South Cowichan School Trustees and people were anxious to secure his services as Teacher, he was allowed further time, and qualified on 23rd July.

Third examination held at New Westminster on 14th June, when Messrs. John Pleace and James Kennedy obtained certificates. Three other candidates failed.

Fourth examination took place on the 15th and 16th July, at the Education Office, Victoria. Three candidates out of the six succeeded in obtaining certificates, namely, Mr. Robert M. Clemitson, Miss Mary Glyde and Miss Augusta Mahood.

EXAMINATION PAPERS.

No. 1.—*Arithmetic : Time three hours. Mr. R. Williams, M. A., Cantab.*

1. Reduce 2 tons. 3 qrs. 5 oz. to ounces.
2. Reduce 127272 grains to lbs. Troy.
3. Add

	miles.	furl.	yds.
3.	Add	5	7 137
		2	4 121
		8	6 213
		3	5 23
4. From

	roods.	per.	sq. yds.
4.	From	3	2 25
	take	2	35 28½
5. Divide 85 lbs. 7 oz. 15 dwt. 1 gr. by 67.
6. Find the G. C. M. of 7007 and 7392.
7. Find the L. C. M. of 6, 12, 16, 18, 24.
8. Add $\frac{13}{18} - \frac{1}{15} - \frac{8}{20} - \frac{11}{30} - \frac{13}{30}$
9. Find the value of $1\frac{4}{25} - \frac{3}{4}$
10. Find (by cancellation) the value of $\frac{5}{12} \times \frac{9}{16} \times 2\frac{2}{11}$
11. Find the value of $\frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}}{4\frac{1}{4} - 3\frac{1}{2}}$
12. Reduce 3-5th dwt. to the fraction of a lb.
13. Add 2.02 - 7.0916 - .024 - .0008 and subtract the result from 18.006.
14. Divide 181.3 by .00037.
15. Reduce to a decimal $\frac{17}{1375}$
16. Reduce to a vulgar fraction .02½.
17. If 20 men can perform a piece of work in 12 days, how many men could perform another piece of work three times as great in one-fifth part of the time?
18. Find the present value of \$4800 due in four years, without grace, at 5 per cent. per annum.
19. What is the interest of \$168 for two years, seven months and twenty days, at six per cent. per annum.
20. Multiply 7 ft. 6' 9" by 2 ft. 5' 3"

No. 2—Geography : Time, two hours. Mr. M. W. T. Drake.

1. In what direction does the earth move? As the result of this motion how is the sun affected?
2. How does political geography differ from physical?
3. How is the exact position of a place ascertained?
4. What is the Ecliptic?
5. Name and define the imaginary lines drawn on a globe's surface?
6. Mention where the following places are: Monte Video, Candia, Formosa, New Guinea, Bahamas, Mecca, Rio Janiero, Bay of Fundy.
7. Give the eastern boundaries of all the continents, and specify the countries and capital cities.
8. Describe the Sea of Sargasso.
9. Explain the actions of the tides.
10. Give the reasons for the snow remaining on the mountains in summer.
11. Describe the several motions of the earth.
12. Give the principal rivers of South America.
13. Explain the term Zodiac.

No. 3—English Grammar: Time, two hours. Mr. A. J. Langley.

1. What does orthography include and teach?
2. Mention the parts of speech.
3. In regard to number, how are the following words considered: ethics, politics, pneumatics?
4. In the sentence "John's wife returned," parse each word.
5. Do we say "a union," "a university?" why?
6. How many degrees of comparison are there? Name them, with examples.
7. What are demonstrative pronouns? which are they? with their plurals?
8. Parse the sentence "James found his knife."
9. Mention the parts of speech to which these words belong: *this, former, each, either, other, one.*
10. What is a neuter verb? Give examples.
11. What is the subjunctive mood of a verb used for?
12. How many moods have verbs? and name them.
13. Name the auxiliary verbs.
14. When is a verb called irregular? Give examples.
15. In the sentence "If thou would be healthy, live temperately," which word is wrong, and why?
16. Define a verb, a preposition, an adverb.
17. Correct the error in "Death or some worse misfortune soon divide them," and give reason.
18. Why is it wrong to say "I have not travelled this twenty years?"
19. What is an ellipsis? Give an example.
20. Transpose the following:—

"Needful austerities our wills restrain,
As thorns fence in the tender plant from harm."

No. 4—English History: Time, two hours. Dr. Tolmie.

1. How many hundred years intervened between the coming of the Saxons into England, and the coming of the Normans under William?
2. Who was the greatest monarch of the Plantagenet race?
3. Mention a few of the more important events in the reign of the greatest monarch of the Tudor line.
4. What was the immediate cause of the Protestant Reformation in Germany?
5. In what year did the Spanish Armada attempt the invasion of England?
6. What monarch favored Sir Walter Raleigh? and in whose reign was he put to death?
7. What military leader upheld in Britain the cause of James II., after that monarch's departure for Ireland?

8. In whose reign in England was the power of Louis XIV. greatly reduced?
9. What was the most important occurrence in France during the eighteenth century?
10. How many rebellions are recorded in British history during the eighteenth century?
11. What was the greatest event in the reign of George III.?
12. When did Queen Victoria ascend the British throne?

No. 5—Vocal Music: Time, one hour. Superintendent of Education.

1. Name the parts into which vocal music is divided, and define each.
2. How many notes with reference to their length in common use? Describe each, with corresponding rest.
3. Describe the different kinds and varieties of time. Give illustrations.
4. Describe the staff, mentioning the letters on each line and space of treble and bass.
5. Describe clefs, bars, and measures.
6. Explain the different scales. Also tones and semi-tones.
7. Explain transposition, both by flats and sharps.
8. Name, illustrate, and define dynamic characters used in vocal music.

No. 6—School Organization and Government: Time, one hour. Superintendent of Education.

1. On what should obedience, particularly in young children, be based: and what expedients would you employ to produce it?
2. What principle should regulate rewards and punishments in school?
3. How would you organize a school assembled for the first time?
4. What do you consider the best means of attaining the following objects in school, namely:—
 - I. Securing attention;
 - II. Securing order;
 - III. Exciting interest in study.

No 7—Composition: Time, one hour. Mr. Marvin.

Males.—Influence of Canadian Pacific Railway on the future of British Columbia.

Females.—Write what you know of "Dolly Varden."

The examinations are conducted by means of written questions, previously prepared for the purpose on each subject, and at the expiration of the allotted time the written answers are collected from each candidate by the Member of the Board in charge.

LIST OF TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOLS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

School Districts.	Names of Teachers.	Date of Appointment.	Salary per Month.
Esquimalt	Joseph Planta.....	May 16th, 1872	\$ 70
Metchosin	Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher	May 29th, 1872	55
Cedar Hill	C. C. McKenzie.....	May 29th, 1872	70
New Westminster.....	William H. Burr.....	June 7th, 1872	80
Nanaimo.....	Charles N. Young.....	June 7th, 1872	75
Craigflower	Lyndon Le Leivre	June 7th, 1872	60
Yale	John Pleace.....	June 18th, 1872	60
Chilliwack.....	James Kennedy.....	June 18th, 1872	50
Langley	William W. Gibbs	June 21st, 1872. Salary to commence August 1st	55
Burrard Inlet.....	Miss L. A. Haynes.....	July 9th, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Granville	Miss G. Swency	July 9th, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Sumas.....	Alexander Peers.....	July 9th, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Salt Spring Island.....	John C. Jones.....	July 16th, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Victoria City (Boys' Department)	C. C. McKenzie, Principal, transferred from Cedar Hill	July 23rd, 1872.....	100
Victoria City (Boys' Department)	J. Mundell, Assistant	July 28th, 1872.....	75
Victoria City (Girls' Department)	Mrs. Sarah Hayward.....	July 23rd, 1872.....	80
Victoria City (Girls' Department)	Miss M. J. Baxter.....	July 28th, 1872.....	60
New Westminster (Girls' Dept.)..	Miss Mary Glyde.....	July 23rd, 1872.....	60

LIST OF TEACHERS (*continued*).

School Districts.	Names of Teachers.	Date of Appointment.	Salary per month.
			\$
South Saanich	George Wilson	July 23rd, 1872.....	60
Comox	S. F. Crawford	July 23rd, 1872. Salary to com- mence with duties	50
North Cowichan.....	R. M. Clemitson.....	July 23rd, 1872.....	50
South Cowichan.....	A. W. Rogers	July 23rd, 1872.....	50
Sooke	Mrs. Elizabeth Miles	July 23rd, 1872.....	50
Clinton.....	Miss McWha	July 23rd, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Nanaimo (Girls' Department).....	Miss Mahood	July 28th, 1872.....	60
Cedar Hill	George Pottinger, <i>vice</i> C. O. Mc- Kenzie removed to Victoria....	July 28th, 1872.....	70
Lake	William Harrison.....	July 28th, 1872.....	60
Hope.....	Mrs. Lethbridge	July 28th, 1872, temporarily, to end of year.....	40
Burrard Inlet	Mrs. M. Thain, <i>vice</i> Miss L. A. Haynes, resigned	August 13th, 1872	40

APPENDIX F.

LIST OF AUTHORIZED TEXT BOOKS.

	Fixed Price.
	\$ cts.
Canadian First Reader,—Part I	05
Canadian First Reader,—Part II	10
Canadian Second Reader.....	20
Canadian Third Reader	35
Canadian Fourth Reader	40
Canadian Fifth Reader	50
Canadian Advanced Reader.....	60
Lennie's Grammar.....	10
Easy Lessons in Geography (Hodgson).....	50
Modern Geography and Atlas (Campbell)	75
Elementary Arithmetic (Smith & McMurphy)	25
Advanced Arithmetic (Smith & McMurphy)	50
Outlines of General History (Collier)	75
British Empire (Collier).....	1 00
Algebra,—Part I. (Colenso)	50
Algebra,—Part II. (Colenso)	50
Euclid,—Book I. (Young)	12½
Euclid,—Book II. (Young)	12½
Book-keeping (Johnson).....	40
Canadian Spelling Book.....	25

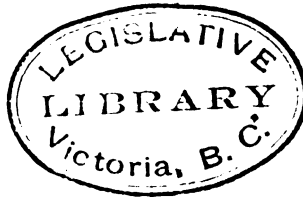
APPENDIX G.

There are twelve denominational and private Schools in the City of Victoria, three in New Westminster, one private school in Hope, and one at Lake la Hache.

Those in Victoria, are as follows:—Collegiate School for boys, and Angela College, mostly girls, under the control of the Church of England. Convent of St. Ann's for girls, and St. Louis' College for boys, under the control of the Roman Catholic Church. The Schools kept by Mrs. Vieuxseaux, the Misses Moore, Mrs. Atwood, and Miss Pollard, are mixed, that is made up of boys and girls. Mrs. Fellows, Mrs. Brown, and Madame Petibeu receive girls exclusively. Mr. Vieuxseaux admits only boys.

The number of children attending the above-mentioned Schools, in Victoria, at the close of the year ending July 31st, before the opening of the Public Schools, was over four hundred. About one hundred were then in attendance at the private and denominational Schools on the Mainland, making more than five hundred in all.





SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

ON THE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

BY THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,

FOR THE YEAR

1872.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

To His Excellency the Honorable JOSEPH W. TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

I now have the honor to forward, for the information of Your Excellency, my Supplementary Report on the condition of the Public Schools, and the state of Education, generally, in the Province of British Columbia.

In the first place, I propose to complete my District Report; then give a summary of the very meagre and incomplete Statistical Tables that have come to hand; and, afterwards, offer a few remarks on the general features of the educational work in the Province, with a view to further development and greater efficiency.

WILLIAMS CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed June 28th, 1871. Boundaries:—"All that piece of land included within a circle, having a radius of three miles from the Court House, at Richfield." Visited the District on the 9th September; School had been discontinued since the close of the late teacher's term of office, in June last; since which the school-going population has very materially decreased—there being only ten children of school age in and around Barkerville. With so few children, it became a question as to whether the school should be re-opened; but finding there a comfortable and well-furnished little school house, in good order, and much anxiety expressed on the part of parents, that their children should not lose all the advantages accruing from the faithful year's work rendered by Mr. Mundell, it was thought advisable to do so; and, on the recommendation of the School Trustees, Mrs. J. Hall was temporarily appointed teacher, subject to the approval of the Board of Education, at a salary of \$50 per month. The school was accordingly re-opened on the 15th September.

CLINTON SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed June 25th, 1869. Boundaries not defined. Visited school on the 18th September; Miss McWha, teacher; salary, temporarily, \$40 per month. School opened on 4th September. Found 12 children in attendance, all beginners; classes just commenced in geography, grammar, and arithmetic. The teacher is evidently industrious, and painstaking; and, under favorable circumstances, would conduct the school in an orderly manner. Present school room is an upstairs apartment, kindly given by Mr. Wadhams for the purpose; no accommodation for writing, nor are there any of the necessary requisites for a school room. The acting Trustee Board have, however, decided on erecting a school house at once, so that, probably, by the time winter sets in, the teacher and pupils will be comfortably provided for.

LILLOOET SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Boundaries:—"All that piece of land included within a circle, having a radius of three miles from the Court House." Visited on 20th September. Although declared a School District, October 22nd, 1870, no school has as yet been opened. There are 16 children of school age, within a few rods of the Court House, and as many more in the surrounding District, several of whom would be sent to a school, were one established.

LYTTON SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed November 20th, 1869. Boundaries:—"A radius of two miles from the Court House." Visited on 23rd September. The school formerly held was discontinued more than a year ago. As there are about 17 children that can conveniently attend, it was considered advisable to re-open the school, and Mrs. J. B. Good received the appointment of teacher, temporarily; salary, \$50 per month.

YALE SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed June 25th, 1869. Boundaries not defined. Mr. John Pleace, teacher; certificated by Board of Education; salary, \$60 per month. Visited school 4th October; found 16 children in attendance—11 boys and 5 girls—most of them but little advanced in their studies; reading, in lower classes, not very good; writing, middling; in arithmetic, found two pupils as far as fractions, and one in simple interest; geography and spelling, backward; grammar, somewhat better; dictation, not creditable. School house and premises in good repair, and well furnished with maps and charts; blackboards required, and porch outside of front door.

HOPE SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Established February 24th, 1871, and includes—"All that piece of land, comprised within a circle, having a radius of three miles from the Court House." Visited the school, taught by Mrs. Lethbridge, October 5th; nine children in attendance—6 boys and 3 girls. Reading and spelling, tolerably good; arithmetic, geography, and grammar, just commenced. School very well regulated. Children neat and orderly—mostly half-castes. For some time past, the school has been held at the residence of Mrs. Dewdney; the Trustees, however, are about fitting up a room elsewhere.

CHILLIWACK SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Visited on 7th October; teacher, Mr. J. McDonald, duly qualified, and recently appointed; salary, \$50 per month. Found but six pupils in attendance—four boys and two girls—all in first reader. School house new, and comfortable, but without maps or blackboards; it is about to be removed to a more convenient site, near Chilliwack River, after which the attendance will, probably, be doubled.

SUMASS SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Formed October 13th, 1871. Boundaries:—"On the north, the Fraser River and Atchelitz Reserve; on the west, the north-eastern boundary line of the Sumass Lake and the Sumass River, to its confluence with the Fraser; on the south and east, the base of the Sumass Mountain Range." School taught by Mr. A. Peers; visited on 7th October; found eleven children in attendance—seven boys and four girls. Third readers acquitted themselves very creditably in reading and spelling; in geography, grammar, and arithmetic, considering that all the children commenced almost with the alphabet less than a year ago, they have made rapid improvement. A new school house is in course of erection, which, when finished, will be large, commodious, and comfortable.

At the close of the year, ending July 31st, there were 14 schools in operation; the aggregate attendance, when visited, being 201; number on Registers, 286; of those, 117 were boys, and 84 girls.

I will now lay before Your Excellency a short summary of the Statistical Tables; and, in doing so, it is necessary to remark that the figures in most of them, being made up in September, are above what they ought to have been, as the increase in attendance, &c., for August and September, is taken into account.

TABLE A.—PUPILS ATTENDING THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

1. School population, including children between the ages of five and sixteen years, 534 returned. Assuming that there are 750 children of school age in Victoria, together with 247 not included in any district, and 305 in districts from which no returns under this heading have come to hand, there are about 1,768 in the entire Province.

2. Pupils, between the ages of five and sixteen, attending the Public Schools on the returns, 399; from districts that have not sent in returns, 115; of other ages, 10; leaving 1,244 not attending the Public Schools. Approximately, there are 350 children who go to the different private and denominational schools. There are, therefore, fully 900 children not attending any school; of these, more than 200 are in the Upper Country, where, at present, there are no schools within their reach. To the list of those not able to get to any school, may be added another 100 from Vancouver Island and the Lower Fraser, leaving 600 children,* or nearly one-third of the entire school population who, although provided with schools, from various causes, derive no benefit therefrom.

3. Number of boys attending the Public Schools as per returns, which are very incomplete, 250; girls, 162.

4. From returns sent in, there are 95 pupils in first or lowest reading class; 71 in second class; 78 in third class; 43 in fourth class; 22 in fifth class; 207 in arithmetic;

* This number has since been reduced nearly one-half by the opening of the Victoria Schools in August.

109 in grammar; 134 in geography; 44 in history; 6 in book-keeping; 4 in mensuration; 16 in algebra; 9 in Euclid; 11 in natural philosophy; 54 in vocal music; 196 in writing; 107 in dictation; and, 16 in other studies.

TABLE B.—PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND TRUSTEES.

1. Of the sixteen teachers engaged in the Province, on 31st July, twelve were English; two Canadian; and two American.

2. Eight held certificates from Board of Education, and eight were teaching under temporary arrangements.

3. The highest salary paid was \$100, and the lowest \$40, per month.

TABLE C.—PUBLIC SCHOOL HOUSES.

1. I have to report twelve school houses in the Province as public property, including one in Victoria; of these, nine are wooden or frame buildings, and three log. Nine buildings have been occupied on sufferance, or at a nominal rent, and one (Sumass) at a rental of \$5 per month.

2. Only three schools appear to have had any visitors' books; in one of these (Salt Spring Island) no visits were recorded; in another (New Westminster) six were recorded; and, in the third (Sumass) eight.

TABLE D.—BOOKS, MAPS, APPARATUS, BLACKBOARDS, &c.

1. It will be seen from this table, that nine schools are using the Canadian or Ontario series of Readers; but several of the schools reported, obtained their Readers since 31st July. In other studies, text books are various. The next Annual Report will, however, show a great improvement in this respect, as the authorized text books were only distributed late in the month of August.

2. Only six schools are properly furnished with maps; four partially supplied, mostly with very old ones, and for political geography, worse than useless; while six were without maps of any description. In all the school houses there is a great want of blackboards.

The returns under Table E. have, with one exception, that from Barkerville, been sent in so incomplete, that only an approximation could be made as to the sum of money expended in each district. Out of the "School Fund" of \$40,000, \$8,346 05 had been expended up to July 31st. Of this sum, \$2,258 were grants for school building and repairing purposes, namely:—\$1,303 for Victoria City; \$250 Esquimalt; \$285 Metchoin; \$320 North Cowichan; and, \$100 Salt Spring Island. A grant of \$200, made last year to Sumass, in aid of building, and \$55 for repairing Nanaimo school room, were paid out of the present "School Fund." A further sum of \$3,229 27, was expended in payment of teachers' salaries for 1871-2, up to 31st March, so that, in reality, the current expenditure up to July 31st, for four months of the year, was \$4,961 78.

Although this Report is not supposed to be made up to a later date than July 31st, yet, for Your Excellency's information, I may just state that the amounts expended, and granted for School building purposes but not yet paid, for seven months of the school year, to November 1st, are as follows:—

Salaries of Teachers and Superintendent	\$7,823 53
School house building and repairing	9,620 25
School books, maps, stationery, &c.....	1,140 25
Rent, fuel, and sundries	563 43
Travelling expenses of Superintendent.....	498 00
Arrears of Salaries for 1871-2, to March 31st	3,229 27
TOTAL.....	\$22,874 73

A large portion of the item for books, &c., will be reimbursed as they are charged to Teachers at the fixed price. At the close of December, all accounts for books will be settled as far as practicable.

The following statement shows the increase of the amount of Teachers' Salaries from April to October, inclusive:—

April	\$ 500 00
May	515 00
June	580 50
July	645 00
August	1,212 50
September	1,510 00
October	1,695 00

EDUCATION IN THE INTERIOR.

The question as to how the educational wants of the interior of this Province are to be supplied, is one that I approach under a deep sense of the responsibility involved in attempting to deal with it. There are 402 children, of all ages, scattered along the Fraser, from Yale to Quesnel; the waggon road from Lytton to Barkerville; the Thompson, south and north branches, from Cache Creek to Shuswap and Clearwater; from Duck & Pringles, along the Okanagan Lake, down to Osoyoos; along the Nicola Valley and Similkameen. Of these, 287 are of school age, that is from 5 to 16; and 115 under five years. Dividing them into whites and half-castes, there are 105 of the former of school age, and 61 under; of the latter, there are 182 of school age, and 54 under. The families to which these children belong, with the exception of a few in Lytton, Lillooet, and Clinton, are living from two or three to twenty-five or thirty miles apart. They are, therefore, so isolated as to render it almost impracticable to get more than from six to ten together at any one point. It is obvious, that *all* those children cannot reach school in the ordinary way, and to meet the difficulty, a general Boarding School, or system of Boarding Schools, is proposed.

Before estimating the cost, and examining the feasibility of such a scheme, I wish to place before Your Excellency the approximate cost of supplying the interior with the means of Education under the present Act. As the children are too scattered to form regular School Districts, *aid* can only be granted under Section 6, sub-section 4 of the School Act. This aid, to Districts, could scarcely be less than \$500 per annum, to each, which would sustain a school, with more or less efficiency, for a portion of the year. Were schools established under this clause, at Van Winkle, Quesnel, Soda Creek, Williams Lake, Lake La Hache; two on the Fraser, above Lillooet; one between Lillooet and Lytton, the Bonaparte, Cache Creek, Savona's Ferry, Kamloops, Okanagan; one above Duck & Pringles, Nicola Valley, and Boothroyd's, in addition to those already established in Barkerville, Clinton, Lillooet, and Lytton, twenty in all, the wants of that part of the Province would be pretty well supplied. Were the settlers to provide their own school rooms, till regular School Districts could be formed, this would cost, with \$1,000 for contingencies, \$11,000 per annum. It is not likely, however, that more than six or eight of such schools would be established during the incoming year, unless pressure be brought to bear upon the settlers, in some form or other, to induce them to take the necessary steps for obtaining such aid. Should the School Act remain as it is, therefore, probably not more than \$2,500 or \$3,000* would be required to meet educational expenditure, for the year next ensuing, east of the Cascade Range. This plan, even should it be properly carried out, would necessarily be inefficient, as the two or three families uniting to obtain the aid, could scarcely supplement it sufficiently to procure the services of a competent teacher for the whole year. The building of School houses, under this arrangement, would be a gradual process, as it is not proposed to erect them till School Districts be formed under the Act.

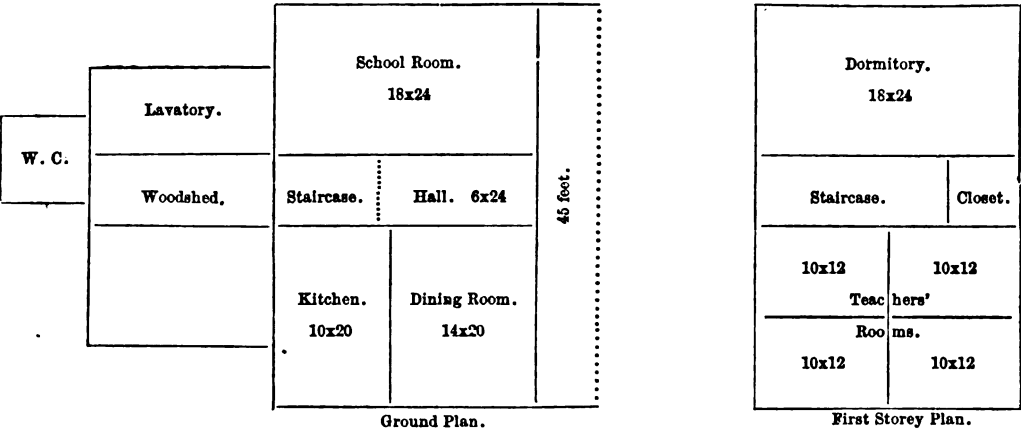
I therefore submit, that the probable cost of Education in the above-mentioned Districts, under the School Act, without a compulsory clause, for the ensuing year, will be \$3,000. Dividing the country into sections, and giving aid to each, it would be about \$11,000.

A system of Schools, combining the Day and Boarding, might be considered practicable; each District to embrace an area of from forty to one hundred miles. A school house, large enough for the District, and a teacher's residence, capable of accommodating a few boarders, in addition to those children who might attend as day scholars, or board with the settlers contiguous to the school, to be built by the Government. The teacher to be a married man, who, with his wife, should take the management, responsibility, and expense of the Boarding department, under certain restrictions and super-

* Not more than half this sum will be expended during the current year, inclusive of \$750, grant for building School house at Clinton.

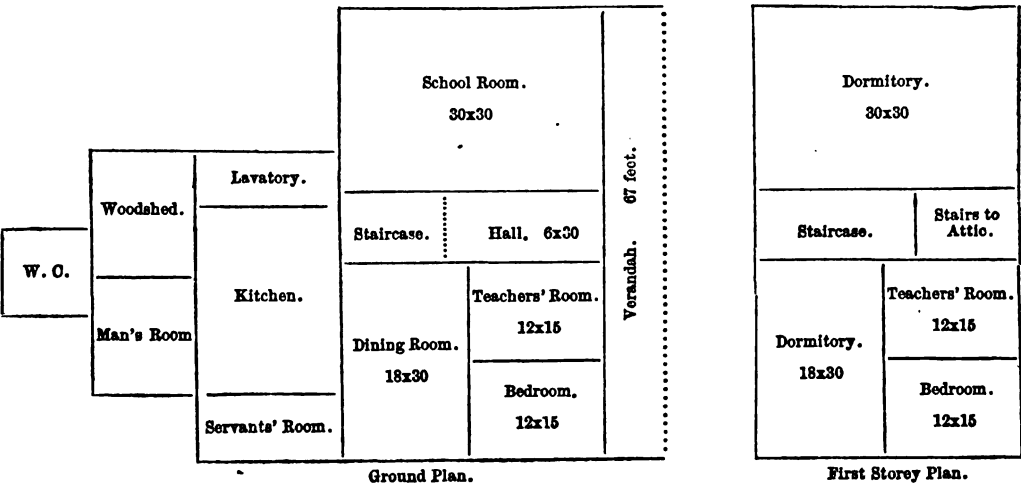
vision, and look to parents and guardians for a fair remuneration. About *nine* of those establishments, located at Quesnelmouth, Soda Creek, Lake La Hache, Clinton, Lillooet, Lytton, Kamloops, Nicola Valley, and Okanagan, would be required to meet the educational wants of the Upper Country; and these, were all the children that ought to be at school gathered into them, would have an attendance of about thirty each.

I am indebted to Mr. Chas. Hayward, of the firm of Hayward & Jenkinson, for the following estimate of the cost of buildings such as would be required for the carrying out of this system. The following, or any other plan of equal cubic contents—



With a substantial foundation of stone, a large stone chimney, tongued and grooved floors, rough inside lining, color washed, weather-boarded outside; lower rooms 12 feet high; upper rooms, 11 feet high; shingle roof, and completely finished with convenient doors, windows, staircase, etc., will cost from \$3,200 to \$3,400. Supplying the interior with buildings of this description for school purposes must be a question of time, as under very favorable circumstances not more than two could be erected annually. Salaries of teachers in these schools would have to be at least \$1,200 per annum. Should this system be adopted, I would recommend that two buildings be erected forthwith—one at or about Soda Creek, and the other in the vicinity of Kamloops. As each could be made to accommodate about 50 scholars, the means of education would thus be provided for nearly one-half of the children of the interior without the Department having anything to do with boarding arrangements. But the pupils must necessarily be both male and female in the same establishment.

Another scheme for meeting the educational wants of the Province East of the Cascades is to erect, at some point, say near Cache Creek, a large Central Boarding School, or two, male and female. A building to accommodate 100 pupils, according to Mr. Hayward's estimate, finished in the same style as smaller buildings, containing about the number of rooms shown in the following plan—



with attic available for bed rooms, if necessary, would cost, say a little under \$6,000. Rough lumber is estimated at \$40 per M. feet, delivered; shingles at \$8. The rest of the materials, the location would not seriously affect. By making the kitchen and other offices common to two such buildings, one for boys, and the other for girls, the entire establishment would cost about \$10,000. It will be observed, that the sexes would have no communication with each other, either at meals or in school; and a saving of at least \$2,500 in building and furnishing would be effected. I would further state, for the information of Your Excellency, that the cooking apparatus, complete, for both these departments, can be put up for \$250. The crockery would cost about \$500; and stretchers, mattress covers, pillows, and bedsteads, bedding, &c., for teachers' rooms, can be furnished for less than \$1,000. As I would propose that parents and guardians should provide their children with blankets, &c., the entire cost of the buildings, with furnishing, would amount to about \$12,000.

The teaching staff should consist of two married men, with their wives, all competent teachers, carefully selected for those positions. \$1,500 per annum, with board and rooms provided, would be a fair salary for each couple. Allowing \$1,200 per annum, for the board of four teachers, the Education department would cost \$350 per month, or \$4,200 per annum.

It will be seen, therefore, that providing teachers for the interior, under the School Act, by giving aid to each two or three families, would cost \$10,000 per annum. By erecting a teacher's residence, to accommodate fifteen or twenty boarders, in connection with each school, over and above the cost of building, salaries would be about the same—\$10,000 per annum—supposing the country is to be supplied with teachers. While, under the Central School system, the teaching would cost but \$4,200 per annum, less than one-half of what it would be in any other way; unless it should be considered that two of the smaller establishments would answer for the present, in which case, the salary item would be less than \$3,000 per annum.

Besides the staff of teachers, there would, probably, be required in the domiciliary department of a Central Boarding School, a matron, house-servant, cook, washerman, and a man of all work; whose united wages would amount to \$200 per month. All these could obtain help from the senior boys and girls, in rotation, under judicious regulation, so that the duty of some of them, at least, would be partly that of supervision. Of course it would require a much larger staff of domestics than has been enumerated, should the buildings be erected separate from and independent of each other. I am basing my calculations, therefore, on the servants' premises being common to the male and female departments.

It is expected that parents and guardians will contribute a reasonable sum monthly, for their children's board, in money, cattle, or farm produce; and keep them comfortably and respectably clothed, and properly supplied with bedding, &c. Twelve dollars per month for each child—not an exorbitant sum—would almost, if not altogether, defray the expenses of the Boarding department. Assuming that, under a compulsory clause, there would be at least 150 *paying* scholars in the two departments, there would be from this source a revenue of \$2,100 per month. Allowing \$300 per month for servants' wages and teachers' board, \$1,800 per month would be available for actual table expenses, fuel, &c., &c.

But provision ought to be made for indigent children; and nearly all that would be classed under such a head would be those half-breeds who, deserted by their white fathers, have gone with their Indian mothers to the rancheries. Those children, as well as others, will be just what education or the want of it may make them. With it a majority may grow up respectable members of society, without it many will become inmates of our jails and penitentiaries. Statistics on the subject of education and crime prove that the cost of prosecuting and punishing a criminal is fully three times as great as the expense of giving a child a good public school education. So that, taking a financial view of the question, it will be infinitely better for the Government to educate those children, and if need be to board and clothe them, than to run the risk of their growing up nuisances in society. Supposing that there should be 25 or 30 of those children in regular attendance at the Boarding School, the \$250 or \$300 per month that it might cost to maintain them would certainly be money well expended. The question might here be asked—would not the Indian Department, now under the Federal Government bear a portion of such expense? It is more than probable that

such would be the case; as those children with no other training than the Indian could give would grow up troublesome and expensive to the Department. This consideration, leaving out of sight the moral and social gain that would be accomplished, should, and no doubt will, induce the Superintendent of Indian Affairs to take a favorable view of the matter.

A large majority of the settlers east of the Cascades will avail themselves of the earliest opportunity of sending their children to a Boarding School establishment, rather than to either public or private schools in the lower country. An intelligent farmer on the Upper Fraser, with a large family, remarked that he wished his children "to grow up and obtain their education in the interior." Though well able to send them below, he would not do so, because they might acquire a distaste for the occupations he wished them to follow, namely, farming and stock raising. Another settler, the father of a half-breed family, would support a Boarding School in preference to a Day School, even if one could be established within his reach, for the reason that his children would be under favorable auspices for learning the manners, usages, and amenities of cultivated society. A third was of opinion that a year at such an establishment would be of more service than two years at a common Day School, as the pupils would have nothing to do but to attend to their lessons, beyond necessary exercise, which might be utilized in the institution and lessen the cost of hired help; as of course, irregular attendance and want of punctuality would be unknown.

By the adoption of any one of the schemes thus imperfectly outlined, the educational wants of the interior would be provided for; and the Legislature would be in a position to insert a CUMPULSORY CLAUSE in the School Act; which certainly will become a necessity as soon as the means of education can be placed within the reach of every family; and ought even now to be applied to all districts where, at great expense to the General Revenue, public schools are established and maintained.

That the Boarding School system in its application to British Columbia will be an experiment is readily conceded; but that it will be a successful one scarcely admits of a doubt. The vast territory, east and north of Yale, so sparsely populated and from the nature of the country not likely, for many years at least, to become thickly inhabited is an exceptional one, and exceptional means must be adopted to meet its educational wants. Many objections will, no doubt, be raised to this scheme; that there will be numerous difficulties to meet, some of them perhaps unforeseen at present, is not unlikely; but, with a steady determination to overcome them, they will not seriously interfere with its ultimate success.

The religious question will probably give rise to some discussion, and be a difficult one to settle, unless approached in a thoroughly catholic and conciliatory spirit. Where such a large number of children, teachers and others are collected together, on Sundays as well as during the week, some form of Sabbath service should certainly be adopted. When several hundred men, belonging to a variety of religious denominations left Ontario, Quebec, and other Provinces of the Dominion on exploratory surveys in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway, a number of clergymen, including one belonging to the Roman Catholic Church, met in Ottawa and adopted a form of service that has been used by all the surveying parties east of the Rocky Mountains. Could not some such form of worship, in conjunction with reading and expounding the Scriptures in Sunday School, be devised that would not be distasteful to any sect? Clergymen of all denominations would no doubt be allowed to officiate in the institution; but children whose parents might object to any particular form of worship would certainly not be obliged to attend such services.

The supposed difficulty of white children and half-breeds getting along quietly and harmoniously together will, under proper *surveillance*, be obviated.

Want of medical aid in cases of sickness might be considered another objection; but this could be overcome, to a considerable extent at least, by selecting for one of the teachers a man with some knowledge of medicine, who, with an experienced nurse for Matron, would be quite competent to treat most of the ailments incident to childhood and youth. At any rate the children would be no worse off in this respect at school than they would be at home, where, with but few exceptions, they are almost beyond the reach of a physician.

Since Confederation became an accomplished fact no question has arisen upon which such remarkable unanimity exists, in those parts of the Province particularly interested, as upon this question of boarding schools. At meetings held in Barkerville, Clinton, Lillooet, Lytton, Nicola Valley, Kamloops, Yale, Hope, Chilliwack and Sumas, Langley, Granville, and Moodyville, no opposition whatever was made to the principle involved, as the following resolutions will fully show :

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Barkerville, September 9th, 1872.

"Moved by J. S. Thompson, M. P., seconded by John G. Barnston, M. P. P.,

"That, in order to meet the Educational wants of the sparsely populated Districts of this Province, it is the opinion of this meeting, that one or more Boarding Schools should be established in some convenient locality, or localities; the buildings to be erected, and the Educational department provided, by Government; parents and guardians to contribute a reasonable sum for defraying their children's board.—Carried unanimously."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Clinton, September 18th, 1872.

"Resolved, That in order to give this whole District an opportunity of educating their children, we deem it advisable to have a Boarding School erected and maintained by the Government; parents paying certain rates for support and clothing of children.

"F. W. FOSTER, Chairman,

"E. A. WADHAMS, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Lillooet, September 20th, 1872.

"Moved by A. W. Smith, seconded by D. W. Milligan.

"Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting, it would be advisable for the Government to establish Boarding Schools at convenient points on the Mainland."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Lytton, September 23rd, 1872.

"That, it is the decided conviction of this meeting, that provision be made, without delay, for meeting the Educational wants of the more scattered portions of the population of the Province, by the erection, at cost of Government, of Central Boarding Schools, suitable for both sexes, where all might enjoy the privilege of sending their children to be educated at the lowest possible rate; cases of indigent children being specially provided for.

"J. B. GOOD, Chairman,

"THOS. R. BUIE, Secretary."

"NICOLA VALLEY, September 25th, 1872.

"We, the undersigned, settlers of Nicola Valley, do agree that the centralization Boarding School system be adopted in this part of the Interior.

"JOS. BLACKBOURN, Chairman,

"JAS. CHAPMAN,

"SAMUEL MOORE,

"F. MICKLE,

"JOHN GILMORE,

"EDWIN DALLEY, Secretary,

"ROBERT LETTICE,

"MARTEN STEINEEK,

"R. CHARTER,

"J. P. MOORE."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Kamloops, September 28th, 1872.

"Moved by Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. Wilson:

"That, whereas the present system of Day Schools has been found inefficient, on account of the sparsely settled population of the District, we are of the opinion that a central locality should be decided upon, and that Boarding Schools should be erected and maintained to meet the requirements of the public.

"Resolved, That in case the Boarding School system should be adopted, that Kamloops, on account of its central locality, and its facilities for cheapness of building, living, &c., &c., should be chosen as the proper place for the erection of the necessary buildings.

"JAMES MCKENZIE, Chairman,

"W. B. WILSON, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Yale, October 4th, 1872.

It was moved, seconded, and carried, "That from the great distances at which many children are now living from the present schools, and their consequent inability to receive necessary

instruction, it is the opinion of this meeting that one or more Boarding Schools be established by the Government, in suitable localities, to meet this want.

"B. BAILEY, Chairman,
"JOHN PLEACE, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Hope, October 5th, 1872.

"Moved by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Bowes:—

"That, it is the opinion of this meeting, in order to meet the demand for Education for the children of the Interior, who cannot in any case reach the now existing Public Schools, the Government erect suitable Boarding Schools in one or more places in the Interior, and place a sufficient sum on the Estimates for support of the same.

"This received the unanimous support of the meeting.

"A. PLEACE, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Chilliwack and Sumass, October 5th, 1872.

"That, in the opinion of this meeting, a Boarding School be established in the Interior of this Province; and, that the present School Act be amended, so as to enable the Government to support the same.

"A. C. WELLS, Chairman,
"J. McCUTCHEN, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Langley, October 8th, 1872.

"Moved by Mr. Gibbs, Seconded by Mr. Morrison:—

"Resolved, That considering the scattered nature of the population in the interior Districts of this Province, it is the opinion of this meeting that the work of educating the young would be more economically and efficiently done were a system of Boarding Schools established in central localities. Parents and Guardians to contribute to the institutions sums equivalent to what it would cost to board their children at home.

"A. INNES, Chairman.
"J. McKIE, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Meeting held at Granville, Burrard Inlet, October 10th, 1872.

"Resolved, That this meeting is in favor of the establishment of a system of boarding schools in central positions, believing that to be the only means at present of meeting the educational wants of the interior of British Columbia. A vote of thanks to the Chairman was then passed and the meeting adjourned.

"RICHARD H. ALEXANDER, Secretary."

Copy of a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting, held at Moodyville, Burrard Inlet, October 11th, 1872.

"Moved by P. W. Swett, and seconded by J. Van Bremer:—

"Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that a system of boarding schools should be established in the interior portions of this colony."

The "School Act, 1872," so far as it has yet been tested, with but few exceptions, works very satisfactorily. I beg to suggest, for the consideration of Your Excellency, that a Compulsory Clause be added, applicable to all Districts provided with the means of Education. Also an additional clause empowering the Superintendent to appoint an Acting Superintendent during prolonged absences on duty. That Section 7, Sub-section 8, be amended so as to give Trustees in the Day School Districts the power to select their own teachers, always from among those duly qualified; and, with the consent of the Superintendent and Board of Education, to discharge them, leaving the fixing of salaries, as at present, in the hands of the Board of Education.

Sub-section 13 of same Section. Four members of the Board to form a quorum for the transaction of business instead of five.

Section 30. Reports of Trustees to be sent in made up to 31st July, instead of up to December 31st.

Section 32, to read after the word District, "held part of the day or year in one portion of the District, and during the remainder of the day or year in another portion of such District."

Section 7, Sub-section 6. Provision should be made for renewal of certificates.

In concluding my report I have only to remark further, that, in view of the Canadian Pacific Railroad being soon located, and the control of the Public Lands devolving upon the Provincial Legislature, the time has fully arrived when School Reserves should be set apart in every District already formed, where at all practicable, as well as in those portions of the Province not yet established as School Districts.

The fact, too, that British Columbia will soon require a Provincial University, capable of conferring degrees in arts, law, and medicine, should not be lost sight of; and public lands in aid of such an institution should be granted at the outset of our career, as an integral portion of the Dominion of Canada.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's obedient, humble servant,

JOHN JESSOP.

Education Office, Victoria, November 13th, 1872.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.—ANNUAL REPORT for the Year ending July 31, 1872.

TABLE A.—Pupils attending the Public Schools.

School District.	School population between five and sixteen years of age.	Pupils between five and sixteen attending School.	Pupils of other ages attending School.	Total number of Pupils of all ages attending School.	Boys.	Girls.	No. of Children not attending any School whatever.	Average attend- ance of Pupils.	Reading.					Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Book-keeping.	Mensuration.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Natural Philosophy.	Vocal Music.	Linear Drawing.	Anatomy, Physi- ology, & Hygiene.	Writing.	Dictation.	Other Studies.
									1st Class. (Lowest.)	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	4th Class.	5th Class.															
Victoria City and District*.....	45	39	3	42	21	21	6	32	15	7	6	11	3	20	14	14												
Esquimalt	33	21		21	15	6	12	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	6	4	7	4		21	14	18	4				6		27		27	27		
Craigflower																												
Metchosin†																												
Sooke†																												
Lake†																												
South Saanich	50	24	3	27	20	7			10	6	7	4		20	11	17	7					27			18	17		
South Cowichan	18	14		14	10	4		14	4	4	5	1		8	7	6												
North Cowichan	28	20		20	12	8	8 $\frac{1}{2}$																					
Salt Spring Island	25	17	1	18	9	9	8	13	2	6	3	6		12	6	3				1					14		5	
Nanaimo	150	82		82	47	35																						
Comox †																												
Cedar Hill	87	37			22	15		25	6	6	10		15	37	15	30	15			3					37	25		
New Westminster		65		65	42	23		38	23	18	19	5		30	19	17	4	3	1	3	2	2			30	5		
Moodyville†								16																				
Granville or Hastings**																												
Langley	27	18		18	13	5	9	15	6	4	6	3		9	2	3	2	2	2		3				10	3		
Sumass	16	14	1	17	6	11	2	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	4	5		1	12	6	12									12	10		
Yale	34	27		27	18	9	2	19	8	7	6	6		27	12	12	12	1	1		6				27	19	5††	
Hope†																												
Chilliwack††																												
Lytton††																												
Clinton‡																												
Barkerville	21	21	2	23	14	9		9	10	5	4	3	1	11	4	4												

* Public Schools opened on the 19th August, consequently no returns for the year ending July 31st. 1872.

† No Returns.

‡ School opened on the 1st August—no returns.

§ No list of classes.

¶ School opened on 2nd September—no returns.

‡ The former teacher having left, the present one, Mrs. M. Thain, had no records from which to compile a report.

** School opened about the middle of July—no returns.

†† Seven at boarding-schools elsewhere.

‡‡ School opened about the middle of September.

§§ School opened on 4th September.

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TABLE B.—Public School Teachers, and Trustees.

School District.	Names of Teachers, and Nationalities.	Date and Term of Teacher's engagement.	What class Certificates, and from whom?	Salaries.		Names of Trustees for current year.
				Former.	Present or Proposed.	
Victoria City and District.	No School.					
Esquimalt	Joseph P. Planta, British....	May 16, 1872, to May 16, 1873.....	3rd class from Board of Ed.	per month.	\$70	Rev. F. B. Gribbell, C. E. Pooley, J. Dobinson.
Craigflower	Lyndon LeLievre, English...	June 1, 1872, to June 1, 1873.....	3rd class from Board of Ed.	\$50	60	J. Stewart, R. Downer, M. J. Dodd.
Metchosin	No returns.					
Sooke	No School.					
Lake	No returns.					
Cedar Hill	C. C. McKenzie, Brit. Sub...	From Oct. 8, 1871, to the passing of School Act.	B. A. Cantab, and Certificate from Board of Education..	50	70	E. H. Jackson, J. Irvine & J. Tod.
South Saanich	Fanny C. Butler, do. ...			40	60	W. Thompson, G. Thomas, C. Alexander, J. Downie, J. Phillips.
South Cowichan.....	H. A. Lapidge, do. ...					J. Dougan, T. Marshall, J. Pimbury, S. Harris, T. Smith.
North Cowichan.....	W. H. Lomas. do. ...	Engagement expired October 3, 1871.....	Royal College of Preceptors, London.....	50	50	S. Bednell, H. Drummond, Wm. Smithe, Wm. Chisholm, J. Mahoney.
Salt Spring Island	J. C. Jones, American.....		Diploma from Oberlin College, U. S.....	500	480	T. C. Parry, H. W. Robinson, J. C. Crain.
Nanaimo.....	C. N. Young, English.....	June 3, 1872, to June 3, 1873.....	3rd class from Board of Ed..	480	900	Messrs. Bate, Pawson, Dunsmuir, Cooper, Myers and Renwick.
Comox	No School.			per month.	80	Municipal Council of New West'r.
New Westminster.....	W. H. Burr, Irish.....		3rd class from Board of Ed..	60	80	
Moodyville.....	Miss L. Haynes, American...	Resigned August, 1872..		per annum.	500	480
Granville	No School.			per month.	50	55
Langley	James Kennedy, Canadian...	Resigned June, 1872.....	3rd class from Board of Ed..	50	55	C. Chambers, Geo. Dietz, H. Cottrell, E. Cadwallader.
Sumass.....	Alex. Peers, do. ...	Nov. 20, 1871, to Nov. 20, 1872		54 16	40	O. Allard, A. Innes, J. Mackie.
Chilliwack	No School.					D. Miller, M. Hall, Wm. Chadsey.
Hope	No returns.					
Yale	John Pleace, English	Monthly, from June, 15, 1871.....	3rd class from Board of Ed..	65	60	B. Bailey, B. Douglas, J. F. Barry.
Lytton.....	No School.					
Clinton.....	No School.					
Barkerville.....	No returns.					

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TABLE C.—Public School Houses.

School District.	Number of School Houses.	What material built of?	Public Property, or rented? If rented, what rent per annum?	Total number of School visits in each Term, and the names of all Visitors who have recorded their visits in Visitor's Book.	Remarks.
Victoria City and District.	No School.				
Esquimalt	One	Frame building...	Rented, \$4 per annum	Three—Superintendent of Education, and Two Trustees.	
Craigflower	One	do. ...	Public property on School Reserve.		
Metchosin.....	No returns.				
Sooke	No School.				New School House in course of erection.
Lake	One	Frame building...	Public Property.		
Cedar Hill	No School House.			No visits.....	The School is temporarily held in the English Church—a crowded, inconvenient, and unsuitable building.
South Saanich	One	Frame building...	Public property.....	do.	
South Cowichan.....	Two.....	Log do. ...	1, public property, and 1 used on sufferance.....	do.	
North Cowichan.....	Two.....	do. do. ...	Court House, rent free, and private property do.....	do. No Visitor's Book.....	School held on alternate days at Nos. 1 and 2.
Salt Spring Island.....	One	do. do. ...	Public property.....	Thirteen visits. No records of visits.	
Nanaimo.....	One	Frame do. ...	Rented for repairs done ...	No visits recorded.	
Comox	No School.				New School House about to be built.
New Westminster.....	One	Frame building...	Public property.....	Six—W. Johnston, J. Cunningham, G. B. Murray, C. G. Major, E. Brown.....	Both Boys' and Girls' school held in the same building.
Moodyville	One	do. ...	Property of the Saw-mill firm—rent free.		
Granville	One	do. ...	do.		
Langley	One	do. ...	Public property.....	None.	
Sumass.....			Rented, \$5 per month.....	Eight—Wm. Clarkson, Rd. Hodgson, T. M. Richards, D. McGillivry, Rev. G. C. Clarkson, Henry V. Edmonds, Rev. T. Crosby.....	New School House in course of erection.
Chilliwack	No School.				
Hope	No returns.				
Yale	One	Frame building...	Public property.....	None.	
Lytton.....	No School.				
Clinton	do.				New School House about to be erected.
Barkerville	No returns.				

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TABLE D.—Books, Maps,

School District.	What Readers used?	Spelling Book ?	Arithmetic ?	Grammar ?	Geography ?	Histories ?	Book-keeping ?
Victoria City & District	No School.						
Esquimalt.....	Ontario.....	Ontario	Smith and Mc-Murphy	Lennie	Modern Geo. and Atlas.....		
Craigflower.....	Ontario	Ontario and Carpenter's..	Ontario	Lennie	Easy Lessons & Mod. Geo.	Collier's Out-lines	
Metchosin.....	No returns.						
Sooke.....	No School.						
Lake	Sargent's and Irish National	Town's and others.....	Thompson and Sangster	Lennie and Smith	Cornell's and Easy Lessons	Irish National 5th Reader ..	
Cedar Hill.....	Ontario	Carpenter's.....	Davies'	Lennie	Cornell's	Collier's	
South Saanich.....	Ontario	Carpenter's.....	Sangster's	Lennie	Cornell's and Easy Lessons	Ince's.....	
South Cowichan.....							
North Cowichan.....	Ontario						
Salt Spring Island	Ontario		Thompson's ..	Lennie	Cornell's		
Nanaimo	2nd and 5th Irish Nation	Mavor's and Carpenter's..	Irish National	Irish National	Irish National		Chambers'.....
Comox	No School.						
New Westminster	Irish Nation...		Irish National and Sangster	Lennie	Hodgin's.....	English	Manly's
Moodyville	Ontario			Lennie			
Granville.....	No School.						
Langley	Ontario	Carpenter's.....	Smith and Mc-Murphy's.....	Lennie	Easy Lessons..	Collier's.....	Irish National
Sumass	Ontario		Sangster's	Bullion.	Easy Lessons.		
Chilliwack	No School.						
Hope.....	No returns.						
Yale	Irish Nation...		Colenso's	Lennie	Hughes'.....	Smith's	Manly's
Lytton	No School.						
Clinton.....	No School.						
Barkerville.....	Canadian	Sullivan's	Sangster's	Lennie	Lovell's		

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Apparatus, Blackboards, &c., &c.

Algebra ?	Geometry ?	Other Books ?	Maps ?	Globes ?	Apparatus ?	Blackboards ?	Remarks.
	Young		5 belonging to Rev. Gribbell			Four	Modern Maps, including one of B. C., much required. The three Maps are of an old date, and but little use.
			Three	One		One	
			Society's, 11...				
Colenso			Society Prom. Useful Know- ledge. Do. complete set			One	School Apparatus and Globe much needed.
						One.	
	Irish National	Latin				Three.	Books, other than Read- ers, various.
			Eleven			One.	
Davies & Co- lenso	Chambers		Johnson's			One.	
			N. America ...			One.	
		Chambers	None			One.	
			5 General and 4 Physical...			One.	
						One.	

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a detailed Statement of the amount of money paid out of the \$40,000 voted last Session for School purposes, to December 31st, 1872, and to whom paid.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
12th February, 1873.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURE TO DECEMBER 31st, 1872.

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
VICTORIA CITY AND DISTRICT :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....C. C. McKenzie.....	500 00		
J. Mundell	337 50		
Mrs. Hayward	360 00		
Miss Baxter	270 00		
Miss Mahood	180 00	1,647 50	
Repairing School houses...Muirhead and Bruce	1,651 50		
J. Crowther	147 75		
Sundries	83 50	1,882 75	
Cleaning.....W. H. Huxtable	135 00		
G. Doughty	12 00	147 00	
Rent .....H. F. Heisterman.....		120 00	
Furniture and incidentals, not detailed		251 75	4,049 00
ESQUIMALT :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....Mrs. Berkeley	149 33		
J. Planta	525 50	674 83	
Repairing School house ...Sundry persons.....		250 00	
Furniture, Rent, and Incidentals, not detailed.....		103 35	1,028 08
METCHOSIN :—			
Teacher's Salary .....Mrs. Fisher		585 00	
Fitting up School house...Helgeson & Rosman.....		285 00	
Digging well, &c.....Do.		46 25	916 25
SOOKE :—			
Teacher's Salary .....Mrs. Miles		250 00	
Building School house ....Messrs. Muir		617 00	
Furniture, Rent, and Incidentals, not detailed		99 12½	966 12½
CRAIGFLOWER :—			
Teacher's Salary .....L. LeLievre		560 00	
Repairing School house ...P. Eddy		1,125 00	
Incidentals .....Not detailed		14 50	1,699 50
LAKE :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....L. Fraser	320 00		
W. Harrison	160 00		
W. Pollard, Junr.	120 00	600 00	
Incidentals, wood, &c.....		6 50	606 50
Carried forward.....			9,265 12½

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>			9,265 45½
SOUTH SAANICH :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....Mrs. Butler	240 00		
G. Wilson	300 00	540 90	
Furniture and Incidentals, not detailed		31 37	571 37
CEDAR HILL :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....C. C. McKenzie.....	340 00		
G. Pottinger	350 00	690 00	
Building School house ....Hayward & Jenkinson	1,000 00		
Fencing .....Do.	142 00	1,142 00	
Incidentals.....Not detailed		115 25	1,947 25
SOUTH COWICHAN :—			
Teachers' Salaries— Lapidge.....	120 00		
G. W. Rogers	250 00	370 00	
Repairs to School house.....		30 00	400 00
NORTH COWICHAN :—			
Teacher's Salary .....R. M. Clemitson		250 00	
Building School house ....J. Bateman.....		320 00	
Fencing .....Do.		150 00	
Furniture and Incidentals, not detailed		55 00	775 00
NANAIMO :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....C. N. Young	725 00		
Do., Arrears of 1871	80 00		
Mrs. C. N. Young.....	120 00	925 00	
Building School house ....B. Micardo.....		1,500 00	
Fitting up School room		50 00	2,475 00
COMOX :—			
Teachers' Salaries— Rees.....	120 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871	80 00		
S. F. Crawford	200 00	400 00	
Building School house		500 00	
Furniture, Rent, and Incidentals, not detailed.....		56 62½	956 62½
SALT SPRING ISLAND :—			
Teacher's Salary .....J. C. Jones.....	480 00		
Do., Arrears of 1871.....	240 00	720 00	
Repairing School House.....		100 00	
Incidentals.....Not detailed		12 50	832 50
NEW WESTMINSTER :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....W. H. Burr	600 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871	120 00		
Miss Glyde.....	270 00	990 00	
Fitting up School house, Fencing, &c.		600 00	
Furniture and Incidentals, not detailed		95 75	1,685 75
BURRARD INLET :—			
Teachers' Salaries .. ....Miss Haynes	200 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871.....	215 49		
Mrs. M. Thain	160 00		575 49
GRANVILLE :—			
Teacher's Salary .....Miss Sweney		180 00	
Furniture		20 00	200 00
LANGLEY :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....J. Kennedy	200 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871	120 00		
W. W. Gibbs.....	275 00	595 00	
Repairing School house ...J. Mackie!		150 00	
Furniture and Incidentals, not detailed		59 34	804 34
<i>Carried forward</i>			20,488 78

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>			20,488 78
SUMASS :—			
Teacher's Salary .....A. Peers	480 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871.....	54 78	534 78	
Building School house		200 00	
Incidentals, Rent, &c., not detailed		79 50	814 28
CHILLIWHACK :—			
Teacher's Salary .....J. Macdonald.....			225 00
HOPK :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....Mrs. Glennie.....	160 00		
.....Mrs. Lethbridge	160 00	320 00	
Fitting up School room		117 00	
Incidentals, not detailed.....		75 00	437 75
YALE :—			
Teacher's Salary .....J. Pleace		610 00	
Incidentals not detailed		30 50	640 50
LYTTON :—			
Teacher's Salary .....Mrs. J. B. Good		125 00	
Fitting up School room		124 41	249 41
CLINTON :—			
Teacher's Salary .....Miss McWha		230 00	
Fitting up School room		79 75	309 75
BARKERVILLE :—			
Teachers' Salaries .....J. Mundell.....	120 00		
Do. Arrears of 1871.....	240 00		
.....Mrs. J. Hall	175 00	535 00	
Incidentals, not detailed.....		17 50	552 50
ROCKY POINT, METCHOSIN :—			
In aid of Teacher's Salary, Miss Lindsay			20 00
Superintendent's Salary.....		1,405 52	
Do. Travelling Expenses		600 90	2,006 42
Education Office Rent.....D. W. Higgins		95 00	
Fitting up do., Stationery, Advertising, Postage, Express charges, and sundry incidental expenses		295 20	390 20
School Books, Maps, &c.		942 95	
Freight and charges on do.		144 45	1,087 40
TOTAL			\$27,221 99

JOHN JESSOP,
Superintendent of Education.

ESTIMATES

OF THE

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

FOR THE YEAR

1873.

STATEMENT of the ASSETS and LIABILITIES of the Province of British Columbia, on 27th December, 1872 (approximate.)

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Amount invested in Canadian 5 ³ / ₄ cent. Stock.....	\$100,000 00	Estimated Amount of Expenditure to be brought to Account at Treasury and Sub-Treasuries up to 31st December, 1872.....	\$ 35,500 00
Interest due on same to 31st December, 1872.....	3,333 33	Overdrawn in Account Current with the Bank of British Columbia	46,804 74
Amount of Refund due by Dominion Government for keep of Prison- ers to 31st December, 1872 (estimated).....	7,000 00	Amount of outstanding Savings Bank Deposits to be repaid by the Provincial Government.....	51,076 66
Amount due by the Estate of the late — Cochrane, lodged with the Crown Agents for the Colonies	5,745 00	Intestate Estate Deposits.....	972 04
Amount of Interest on Temporary Loans from the Commissioners of Savings Banks, since 19th July, 1871, to be recovered from the Dominion Government	3,149 00		
Arrears of Real Estate Tax (late Vancouver Island)	10,750 43		
Advance Warrants to be accounted for.....	19,450 00		
Balances on hand, viz. :—			
Treasury,..... 27th December.....	\$ 566 03		
New Westminster, 30th November.....	586 51		
Kootenay, 31st October.....	459 70		
Cariboo 31st October	881 81		
Yale,..... 30th November.....	1,022 50		
Lillooet,..... 31st October	834 54		
Clinton, 31st October	282 00		
Omineca, 30th September	411 04		
Nanaimo,..... 31st October	741 35		
	5,785 48	Balance.....	20,859 80
	\$155,213 24		\$155,213 24

ALEX. CALDER,
In Charge of Treasury.

RETURN OF EXPENDITURE (Approximate) for the Year 1872.

Head of Service.	1st January to 30th June, 1872.	1st July to 31st Dec., 1872. (Approximate.)	Total. (Approximate.)
Establishments	\$ 39,766 29	\$ 51,489 58	\$ 91,255 87
Do. Allowances.....	765 16	750 00	1,515 16
Do. Office Contingencies.....	262 33	555 16	817 49
Pensions.....	242 50	242 50	485 00
Revenue Services.....	140 49	155 25	295 74
Administration of Justice.....	1,821 85	2,844 10	4,665 95
Charitable Allowances.....	5,529 95	5,606 65	11,136 60
Education.....	4,098 01	18,788 17	22,886 18
Police and Gaols.....	14,661 13	18,851 26	33,512 39
Rent.....	189 25	892 25	1,081 50
Transport.....	3,203 83	3,951 40	7,155 23
Works and Buildings.....	6,697 68	16,108 06	22,805 74
Roads, Streets, and Bridges.....	29,020 37	110,977 67	138,996 04
Miscellaneous Services.....	14,172 70	20,153 21	34,325 91
Immigration	200 00	2,662 45	2,862 45
Drawbacks and Refunds.....	125 29	49 00	174 29
Legislation.....	8,942 43	5,353 03	14,295 46
Total	\$129,839 26	\$259,429 74	\$389,269 00

NOTE.—The following Out-station Accounts are not yet received, viz.:—

New Westminster—December.

Clinton—December.

Kootenay—November and December.

Cariboo—December.

Lillooet—December.

Omineca—October, November and December.

Treasury, January 22, 1873.

ALEX. CALDER,
In Charge of Treasury.

STATEMENT shewing the ESTIMATED REVENUE for the Province of British Columbia for the Year 1872, and the REVENUE RECEIVED during the same period (closely approximate).

	Estimated Revenue, 1872.	Revenue Received closely Approximate.
Dominion Subsidy.....	\$211,000 00	\$214,000 00
Road Tolls		714 00
Land Sales.....	6,000 00	4,147 00
Land Revenue.....	7,000 00	5,876 00
Rents, exclusive of Land.....	1,250 00	1,867 00
Free Miners' Certificates.....	10,000 00	8,523 00
Mining Receipts General.....	12,000 00	7,486 00
Licenses.....	43,000 00	44,561 00
Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees of Court.....	6,000 00	10,170 00
Fees of Office.....	5,250 00	4,053 00
Sale of Government Property.....	200 00	496 00
Reimbursements in aid, &c.....	7,837 00	1,868 00
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	200 00	1,867 00
Real Estate Tax.....	6,000 00	1,727 00
Road Tax.....	8,500 00	8,078 00
Interest.....	4,500 00	2,914 00
Victoria City Tax.....		239 00
Marriage Licence Fund.....		465 00
Immigration		5,000 00
Total.....	328,737 00	\$324,051 00

Audit Office, January 10, 1873.

THOMAS R. HOLMES.

STATEMENT of the FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS of the Province of British Columbia (approximate) 31st December, 1872.

Dr.		Cr.	
Balance in Bank of British Columbia on 1st January, 1872.....	\$ 13,975 73	Expenditure brought to Account for Year 1872	\$389,269 00
Revenue Received during the year 1872	324,051 00	Amount repaid on Savings Bank Account, including Interest to 30th November, 1872.....	178,902 21
Amount invested in Canadian 5 per cent. Stock	100,000 00	Amount outstanding on same Account	11,208 37
Amount of Temporary Loans received from the Commissioners of Savings Banks, between 1st January and 30th November, 1872.....	49,000 00	Expenditure for the Year 1872, not yet brought to Account (Estimated) ..	5,000 00
Amount received from the Dominion Government to repay sum due to Commissioners of Savings Banks on 20th July, 1871, with Interest thereon to 30th November, 1872...	104,415 60	Deposits—Intestate and other Estates	972 04
	<u>\$591,442 33</u>	Surplus.....	6,090 71
			<u>\$591,442 33</u>

Treasury,
23rd January, 1873.ALEX. CALDER,
In Charge of Treasury.

ESTIMATE OF REVENUE FOR 1873.

ACTUAL REVENUE.

Dominion Subsidy.....	\$214,000 00
Land Sales.....	10,000 00
Land Revenue.....	5,000 00
Rents, Exclusive Land (Ferries and Bridges)	1,500 00
Free Miners' Certificates.....	8,000 00
Mining Receipts General.....	8,000 00
Licences.....	28,000 00
Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees.....	7,000 00
Fees of Office.....	4,000 00
Sale of Government Property.....	300 00
Reimbursements in aid of Expenses incurred by Government.....	6,500 00
Miscellaneous Receipts	1,000 00
Road Tax.....	13,000 00
Interest on Stock	3,500 00
Marriages Licences.....	500 00
Immigration.....	5,000 00
Wild Land Tax.....	3,000 00

	\$318,300 00
Estimated amount to be realized on Balance shown in Statement of Assets and Liabilities.....	17,000 00
	335,300 00

REVENUE DETAILED.

LICENCES.

Trade.....	\$18,000 00
Liquor.....	10,000 00

FEES OF OFFICE.

	\$28,000 00
Land Registry Fees.....	\$2,500 00
Assay Fees.....	1,500 00

REIMBURSEMENTS IN AID OF EXPENSES INCURRED BY GOVERNMENT.

	\$4,000 00
Keep of Dominion Prisoners, 1873.....	\$ 5,000 00
Keep of Naval Prisoners.....	1,000 00
Lunatic Asylum.....	500 00
	\$ 6,500 00

ESTIMATES

Of the Total Expenditure of the Province of British Columbia, for the year ending
31st December, 1873.

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
CIVIL GOVERNMENT.			
1.—LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.			
Private Secretary.....	1,200 00		
Messenger	300 00		
* Office Contingencies	100 00		
		1,600 00	
2.—PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.			
Provincial Secretary	3,500 00		
Assistant Provincial Secretary	2,160 00		
Messenger for all Departments	750 00		
		6,410 00	
3.—Printing Branch.			
Superintendent.....	1,320 00		
Two Printers.....	2,080 00		
Assistant Printer	480 00		
Temporary Printer, during Session	180 00		
do. do. do.	90 00		
		4,150 00	
4.—Audit Branch.			
Audit Clerk		1,600 00	
5.—TREASURY DEPARTMENT.			
Minister of Finance and Agriculture	3,500 00		
Clerk	1,600 00		
† do. (temporary)	1,452 00		
		6,552 00	
6.—LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT.			
Chief Commissioner.....	3,500 00		
Surveyor-General (not yet appointed) or temporary assistance...	2,160 00		
Clerk of Records.....	1,320 00		
Draughtsman.....	1,320 00		
Accountant	1,600 00		
		9,900 00	
7.—REGISTRAR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.			
Registrar-General of Titles		1,940 00	
8.—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.			
Attorney-General (with practice).....	2,500 00		
Clerk, (Deputy Registrar of Supreme Court)	1,600 00		
		4,100 00	
9.—EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.			
† Clerk, (temporary).....		1,600 00	
<i>Carried forward</i>		378,52 00	

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>		37,852 00	
10.—LEGISLATION.			
Mr. Speaker.....	500 00		
Clerk of the House.....	500 00		
Law Clerk.....	300 00		
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	250 00		
Messenger.....	200 00		
Indemnity to Members.....	6,250 00		
Mileage.....	2,200 00	10,200 00	
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.			
11.—SUPREME COURT.			
Registrar.....	1,940 00		
Deputy Registrar, (Attorney-General's Clerk).....	340 00		
Usher.....	600 00	2,880 00	
12.—SHERIFFS.			
1. Victoria.....	500 00		
1. New Westminster.....	500 00		
1. Cariboo.....	500 00	1,500 00	
POLICE AND GAOLS.			
13.—VICTORIA.			
Superintendent, Provincial Police.....	1,752 00		
Gaoler.....	1,104 00		
First Assistant Gaoler.....	912 50		
Turnkey.....	720 00		
Senior Convict Guard.....	1,008 00		
Convict Guard.....	720 00		
Medical Officer, Gaol.....	400 00	6,616 50	
14.—NEW WESTMINSTER.			
Gaoler.....	1,104 00		
Assistant Gaoler.....	912 50		
Senior Convict Guard.....	1,008 00		
Convict Guard.....	720 00		
Medical Officer.....	400 00		
Constable and Gaoler, Burrard Inlet.....	720 00	4,864 50	
15.—KOOTENAY AND COLUMBIA.			
Clerk and Constable (Records, &c.).....	1,704 00		
Constable and Gaoler, Perry Creek.....	1,404 00	3,108 00	
16.—CARIBOO.			
Clerk of Records.....	1,704 00		
Chief Constable, Police, and Collector.....	1,704 00		
Constable and Gaoler.....	1,452 00		
do. do. and Collector, Forks Quesnelle.....	1,500 00	6,360 00	
17.—OMINECA.			
Gold Commissioner, (provisional).....	3,000 00		
Clerk of Records.....	1,704 00		
Constable at Port Essington.....	1,000 00	5,704 00	
<i>Carried forward</i>		79,085 00	

SERVICE.	\$, cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>		79,085 00	
POLICE AND GAOLS—Continued.			
18—YALE AND KAMLOOPS.			
Constable and Gaoler, Yale.....	1,008 00		
do. do. Kamloops.....	1,008 00	2,016 00	
19.—NANAIMO.			
Constable, Gaoler, and Government Agent (provisional).....		1,300 00	
20.—ASSAY OFFICE (Cariboo).			
Assayer.....	2,000 00		
Melter.....	1,200 00	3,200 00	
21.—LUNATIC ASYLUM.			
Superintendent.....	1,104 00		
Keeper	720 00		
Cook.....	360 00		
Matron	600 00		
Medical Officer	400 00	3,184 00	
22.—LEGISLATION.			88,785 00
Expenses of Elections'.....	500 00		
Contingent Fund.....	1,200 00	1,700 00	
23.—ASSAY OFFICE (exclusive of Salaries).			
Chemicals, Fuel, &c	500 00		
Freight, &c	350 00	850 00	
24.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, (exclusive of Salaries.)			
Summoning and paying Jurors and Witnesses.....	2,500 00		
Prosecution, Interpreters' Fees, &c.....	3,000 00		
Inquests, &c	275 00		
Criminal Punishments.....	200 00	5,975 00	
25.—POLICE AND GAOLS (exclusive of Salaries.)			
Expenses for proper keep of Prisoners	20,000 00		
Special Constables, and Police Services.....	3,000 00		
Holding Police Inquests, and expenses connected therewith.....	250 00		
Interpreters' and Witnesses' expenses.....	350 00		
Transport of Prisoners and Constables.....	3,000 00		
Constables sent off on duty	200 00		
Share of Fines.....	25 00	26,825 00	
26.—LUNATIC ASYLUM (exclusive of Salaries).			
Food, Provisions, &c.....	3,254 00		
Clothing.....	1,023 00		
Miscellaneous	210 00	4,487 00	
29.—GRATUITY.			39,837 00
Gratuity to Daughter of the late Mrs. Ogilvy.....		300 00	
28.—CHARITABLE ALLOWANCES.			
Hospital, Victoria	6,340 00		
do. New Westminster	3,500 00		
<i>Carried forward</i>	9,840 00	300 00	128,622 00

SERVICES.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>	9,840 00	300 00	128,622 00
28.—CHARITABLE ALLOWANCES— <i>Continued</i> .			
Hospital, Cariboo	4,000 00		
Destitute poor and sick throughout the Province.....	500 00		
		14,340 00	
29.—EDUCATION.			14,640 00.
District Schools, including Boarding School in Interior			40,000 00
30.—IMMIGRATION.			
Immigration			5,000 00
31.—SURVEYS.			
Miscellaneous Surveys throughout the Province.....			10,000 00
28.—RENTS.			
Government House, Victoria.....	48 50		
Boat House, Nanaimo	36 00		
Gaol, Comox.....	60 00		
Omineca.....	300 00		
			444 50
33.—TRANSPORT.			
Freight on Remittance of Treasure	500 00		
Actual travelling expenses of Officers on duty	5,000 00		
Keep of Government Horses throughout the Province.....	300 00		
			5,800 00
34.—WORKS AND BUILDINGS.			
Completion of Gaol at Nanaimo (re-vote).....	1,000 00		
do. of Court House at New Westminster, and Furniture	1,500 00		
do. of Lunatic Asylum, Victoria.....	500 00		
		3,000 00	
35.—REPAIRS TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS, PROVINCIAL.			
Government Buildings, Victoria.....	1,500 00		
do. do. New Westminster.....	300 00		
do. do. Yale	250 00		
do. do. Cariboo	300 00		
		2,350 00	
36.—GOVERNMENT HOUSE, VICTORIA.			
Repairs to building.....	800 00		
do. Furniture.....	500 00		
Water.....	300 00		
Fuel and Light.....	500 00		
Planting and Ornamenting Grounds	500 00		
Fencing	350 00		
Incidentals.....	100 00		
		3,050 00	
37.—GOVERNMENT HOUSE, NEW WESTMINSTER.			
Keeper's Salary, two months.....		100 00	
			8,500 00
ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.			
38.—REPAIRS TO ROADS AND TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE.			
Yale and Barkerville Road.....	30,000 00		
Douglas and Clinton.....	500 00		
New Westminster and Yale Sleigh Road.....	1,000 00		
New Westminster District Roads and Trails.....	7,300 00		
<i>Carried forward</i>	38,800 00		213,006 50

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Brought forward</i>	38,800 00		213,006 50
38.—REPAIRS TO ROADS AND TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE, <i>Continued.</i>			
Yale District Roads and Trails	7,400 00		
Lillooet do. do. and Ferry	8,000 00		
Cariboo and Omineca District	7,000 00		
Hope and Kootenay Trail	2,500 00		
Victoria District Roads	7,500 00		
Esquimalt District	4,250 00		
Nanaimo District	4,000 00		
Cowichan Roads, Trails, and Bridges	4,000 00		
Salt Spring Island Municipality	1,000 00		
Comox Roads, Trails and Bridges	2,000 00		
Exploration, Omineca District	1,500 00		
			87,950 00
32.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.			
Agricultural Societies throughout the Province	600 00		
Destruction of Wolves and Panthers	350 00		
Insurance of all Government Buildings	850 00		
Telegrams	500 00		
Postage	1,200 00		
Fire Department, Cariboo	500 00		
Mechanics Institute, Victoria	300 00		
do. do. New Westminster	250 00		
do. do. Nanaimo	250 00		
do. do. Cariboo	250 00		
Miscellaneous Services not detailed	2,000 00		
Stationery, Fuel, and Light	6,500 00		
Compensation and Salaries to Officers whose services may be dispensed with	6,000 00		
Road Tools and Implements	500 00		
Road Tax Commissioners	2,000 00		
Fees to Justices of the Peace and Constables	2,000 00		
Copies of Maps for Registrar	360 00		
Copying Despatches for Dominion Government	500 00		
Library—Legislative and Departmental	1,000 00		
Drawbacks and Refunds	500 00		
Advertising in Public Newspapers	3,000 00		
Journal and Statutes Binding	1,000 00		
Printing Material ordered	700 00		
			31,110 00
TOTAL			332,066 50

RECAPITULATION.

Establishments—Salaries	\$88,785 00
Less Temporary Salaries marked †	\$3,052 00
Office Contingencies, Lieutenant-Governor's Office *	100 00
	\$85,633 00
Establishments—exclusive of Salaries	39,837 00
Gratuity and Charitable Allowances	14,640 00
Education	40,000 00
Immigration	5,000 00
Surveys	10,000 00
Rents	444 50
Transport	5,800 00
Works and Buildings	8,500 00
Roads, Streets, and Bridges	87,950 00
Miscellaneous	31,110 00
	\$328,914 50

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of SALARIES, by Departments, showing the Sums Voted for the year 1872, and those Estimated for the year 1873.

Department.			Votes, &c., for 1872.	Estimate for 1873.
Lieutenant-Governor			\$ 2,052 00	1,500 00
Provincial Secretary.....			7,640 00	6,410 00
Do. Printing Branch.....			3,220 00	} 4,150 00
Do. Do. Temporary Assistance			496 00	
Do. Audit Branch.....			1,600 00	1,600 00
Do. Treasury.....			3,392 00	5,100 00
Do. Do. Temporary				1,452 00
Lands and Works.....			10,485 00	} 9,900 00
Do. Chief Engineer and Assistants.....			4,287 00	
Registrar-General			1,940 00	1,940 00
Attorney-General.....			5,100 00	4,100 00
Executive Council.....			1,600 00	
Do. Temporary.....				1,600 00
Legislation			10,900 00	10,200 00
Supreme Court.....			4,480 00	2,880 00
Sheriff			1,500 00	1,500 00
Police and Gaols, Victoria.....			8,387 00	6,616 50
Do. New Westminster.....			6,997 00	4,864 50
Do. Kootenay.....			9,216 00	3,108 00
Do. Cariboo.....			13,300 00	6,360 00
Do. Omineca.....			7,440 00	5,704 00
Do. Yale District.....			4,524 00	2,016 00
Do. Lillooet do.			3,000 00	nil.
Do. Nanaimo do.			2,782 00	1,300 00
Assay Office			2,956 00	3,200 00
Deduct from Estimates for 1873 Temporary Salaries.....				85,501 00
				3,052 00
LUNATIC ASYLUM.	1872.	1873.	117,274 00	82,449 00
Superintendent, annual rate.....	1,104 00	1,104 00		
Keepers	1,920 00	720 00		
Cook	360 00	360 00		
Matron.....	600 00	600 00		
Medical Officer	600 00	400 00		
			4,584 00	3,184 00
			121,858 00	85,633 00
			85,633 00	
			36,225 00	

This sum of \$36,225 shows the reduction in Salaries in favour of the Year 1873 ; but the duties of many of the Officers paid by Salary in 1872, will be provided for by payment of Fees in 1873.



ESTIMATE

Of Additional Expenditure of the Province of British Columbia, for the Year
ending 31st December, 1873.

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.		
Attorney-General, in lieu of Fees		1,000 00
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
Repairs to Lunatic Asylum (incurred in 1872)	1,233 43	
Construction of Gaol, Kamloops	1,000 00	
Repairs to Court House, Lytton	300 00	
Esquimalt Dock, Engineer's Salary, January, 1873	161 66	
Water Works, Do. Do.	161 66	
		2,856 75
ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.		
Kootenay District Trails and Explorations	1,500 00	
Metchosin District Roads	500 00	
		2,000 00
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Mechanics' Institutes, Burrard Inlet	250 00	
Compensation (as per agreement with late Government) to T. A. Bulkley, Esq.	2,500 00	
Medical Officer, Lunatic Asylum, pay for October, November, December, 1872 ..	150 00	
Outstanding liabilities to Savings Bank Depositors	12,000 00	
		14,900 00
TOTAL.....		20,756 75



SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

ABSTRACT of the FURTHER SUMS REQUIRED to defray the Expenses of
the Provincial Government of British Columbia, for the year, from 1st January
to 31st December, 1873.

SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.		
Kootenay Trails	1,000 00	
Okanagan and Spalumcheen Road.....	1,000 00	
Clinton and Canoe Creek Trail	1,000 00	
TOTAL.....		3,000 00



**STATEMENT of SUMS EXPENDED in 1872, being either ARREARS of 1871,
or in EXCESS OF VOTE for 1872, or for which NO VOTE was taken.**

SERVICE.	Amount.	Remarks.
<i>Lieutenant-Governor's Department:—</i>	\$ cts.	
Office Contingencies.....	30 37	Vote exceeded, 1872.
<i>Legislation:—</i>		
Election Expenses.....	3,127 12	Arrears, 1871.
Do.	3,689 35	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Contingent Fund	1,018 23	Do.
<i>Kootenay:—</i>		
Gold Commissioner's Salary	140 16	Arrears, 1871.
<i>Lillooet:—</i>		
Constable, Salary	373 54	No vote, 1872.
Toll Collectors, &c, Salary	368 00	Do.
<i>Assay Office:—</i>		
Chief Melter, Salary	1 60	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Do. Do.	695 93	Arrears, 1871.
<i>Revenue Services</i>	16 87	Do.
Do.	297 62	No vote, 1872.
<i>Administration of Justice:—</i>		
Summoning Jurors, &c.....	783 25	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Prosecution and Interpreters' Fees, &c.....	301 72	Do.
Criminal Punishments.....		
<i>Charitable Allowance:—</i>		
Passage, &c., destitute Miners from Skeena	1,003 29	Arrears, 1871.
<i>Police and Gaols:—</i>		
Keep of Prisoners, &c.....	13,753 64	Vote exceeded, 1872.
<i>Rent:—</i>		
Post Office, Cariboo	685 00	Arrears to July 19, '71
<i>Transport:—</i>		
Lieutenant-Governor.....	31 00	Arrears, 1871.
Travelling Expenses, Officers on Duty	752 05	Do.
Do. Do.	538 42	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Keep of Horses.....	13 50	Arrears, 1871.
<i>Works and Buildings:—</i>		
Graving Dock.....	80 00	Do.
Do.	3,702 20	No vote, 1872.
Government House, Victoria, Repairs.....	5 38	Arrears, 1871.
Do. Do.	332 60	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Do. Victoria, Fuel	264 24	Do.
Do. Do. Planting Grounds	74 62	Do.
Do. Do. Fencing	32 50	Do.
Repairs, Government Buildings, Victoria.....	1,164 47	Do.
Do. House of Assembly	23 77	Do.
Do. Government Buildings, New Westminster.....	366 20	Do.
Do. Do. Cariboo.....	511 06	Do.
Do. Do. Kootenay.....	60 00	Arrears, 1871.
Do. Do. Lillooet.....	7 75	Vote exceeded, 1872.
<i>Roads, Streets, and Bridges:—</i>		
Yale-Clinton Road.....	2,041 23	Arrears, 1871.
Do.	3,649 63	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Clinton-Cameron Road.....	155 19	Arrears, 1871.
Do. Do.	2,499 81	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Douglas-Clinton Road.....	155 80	Do.
Hope-Kootenay Trails	1,708 50	Arrears, 1871.
New Westminster District.....	750 00	Do.
Esquimalt District.....	208 00	Do.
Cowichan District.....	88 47	Do.
Do.	691 77	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Nanaimo District.....	1,203 38	Do.
Comox District.....	25 50	Arrears, 1871.
Omineca District.....	3,076 05	Do.
Fort St. James and Manson River.....	1,474 01	Do.
Giscombe Portage.....	363 46	Do.
Alexandra Bridge	5,214 40	No vote, 1872.
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	57,550 65	

SERVICE.	Amount.	Remarks.
<i>Brought forward</i>	57,550 65	
<i>Miscellaneous:—</i>		
Cancelling Quesnelle and Germansen Road Charter.....	915 00	No vote, 1872.
Insurance	195 00	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Taking charge of Government Buildings, Douglas	10 00	Arrears, 1871.
Road Tax Commissioners.....	85 00	Do.
Do. Do.	134 37	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Stationery, Fuel, &c.....	501 09	Arrears, 1871.
Temporary accommodation, Lunatics.....	2,798 75	Vote exceeded, 1872.
Copies of Maps for Registrar.....	66 83	Do.
Binding British Columbia Statutes.....	391 50	No vote, 1872.
Loss on sale of Gold Bar	1 84	Do.
Compensation for Improvements on Reserves.....	2,370 00	Do.
Books for Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (under Act)	452 25	Do.
Commissioners of Savings Banks (Loans repaid and Interest)	37,500 00	Do.
Deposit repaid	6 00	Do.
Real Estate Tax Redemption.....	18 00	Do.
Refund of Licences, Purchase Moneys, &c.....	49 00	Do.
TOTAL	103,045 28	

SUMMARY.

Arrears of 1871, paid in 1872.....	\$17,096 80
Expenditure for which No Vote was taken, 1872.....	14,159 35
Expenditure in Excess of Vote, 1872.....	34,289 13
Payments to Commissioners of Savings Banks on Account of Principal and Interest, 1872.....	37,500 00
Total	\$103,045 28

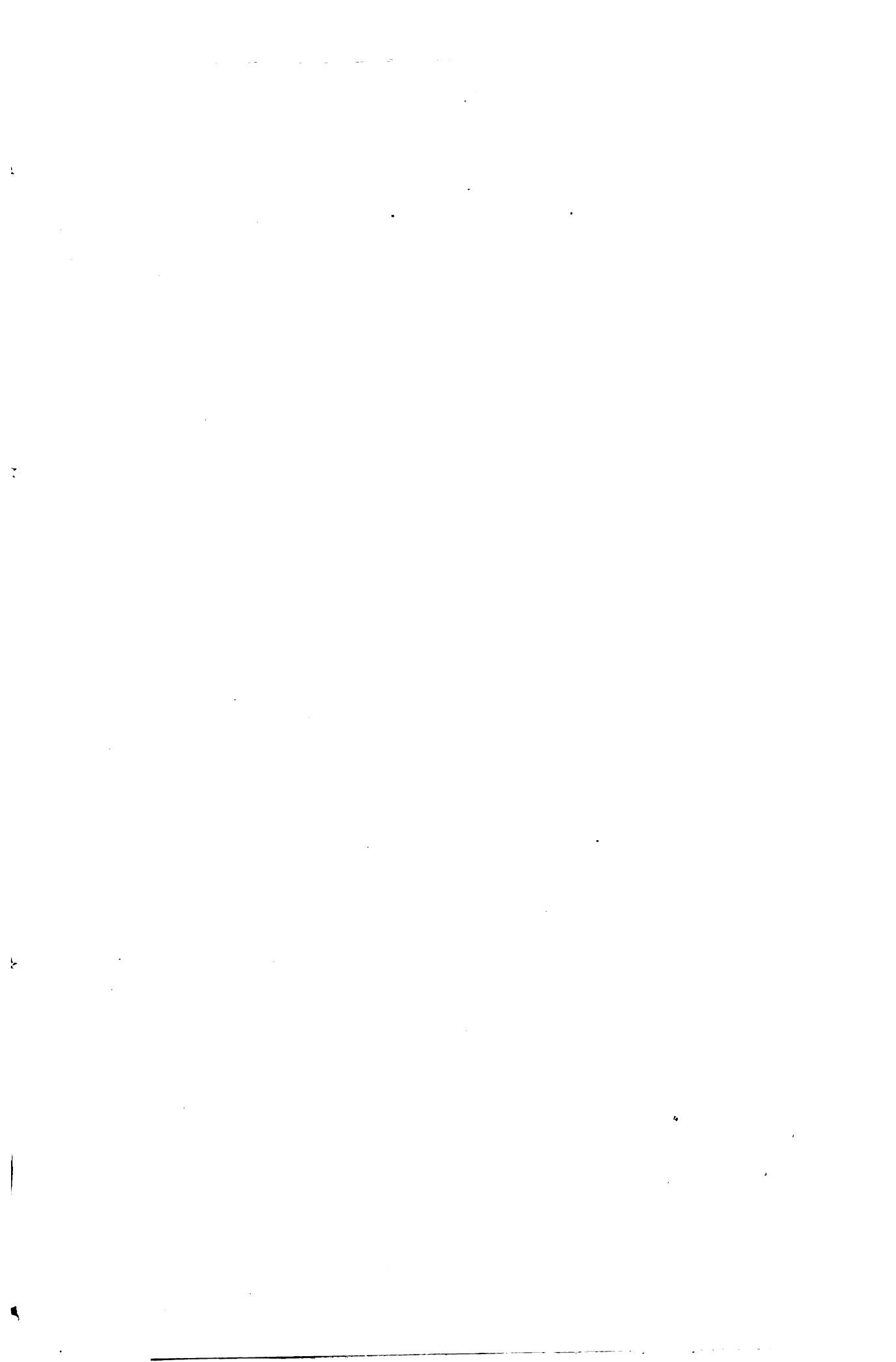
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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

OF THE

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

1872.



STATEMENT shewing the Payments made by the Provincial Treasury on account
of the Province of British Columbia, during the six months ended 30th June,
1872.

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
ESTABLISHMENTS.			
DEPARTMENTAL SALARIES, ALLOWANCES, AND CONTINGENCIES.			
1.—LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.			
A. Musgrave, Jr.....	Salary as Private Secretary, to 21st May.....	565 96	
do.	Salary to Messenger.....	199 98	
do.	Stationery for office use	56 86	
			822 80
2.—PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. A. R. Robertson	Salary to 30th June.....	1,749 96	
O. Good	do. do. as Assistant Provincial Secretary.....	969 96	
John Connell.....	do. do. as Clerk	799 99	
J. Judson Young....	do. as Clerk, to 10th April.....	403 33	
D. Deasy.....	do. as Messenger, to 30th June	299 98	
			4,223 22
3.—Printing Branch.			
R. Wolfenden	Salary as Superintendent, to 30th June	709 99	
R. Butler	do. as Printer, do.	491 09	
Geo. Williams.....	do. as Assistant Printer, do.	491 09	
W. A. Franklin.....	do. do. do., to 3rd April.....	180 82	
H. Price	For assistance, 28th March to 23rd May.....	69 00	
			1,941 99
4.—Audit Branch.			
Thomas R. Holmes..	Salary to 30th June.....	894 40	
			894 40
5.—Treasury Branch.			
John Graham.....	On account of salary as Officer in Charge	547 50	
A. Calder.....	Salary as Clerk, to 30th June	726 00	
W. C. Berkeley.....	do. to 10th April	323 33	
			1,606 83
6.—LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. H. Holbrook...	Salary to January 12th	125 16	
Hon. G. A. Walkem	do. to May 31st	1,345 43	
B. W. Pearce.....	do. as Surveyor-General, to May 31st	1,010 40	
A. R. Howse	do. as Clerk, to May 31st	550 00	
J. B. Launders	do. as Draughtsman, to May 31st	550 00	
J. J. Austin.....	do. as Accountant, to May 31st	550 00	
J. T. Baker	do. as Messenger, to May 31st.....	250 00	
			4,380 99
7.—REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE.			
H. B. W. Aikman...	Salary as Registrar General of Titles, to 31st May		943 02
8.—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. J. F. McCreight	Salary to 31st May	1,458 30	
H. S. Mason.....	do. as Clerk.....	708 31	
			2,166 61
9.—EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.			
J. Judson Young....	Salary as Clerk, 11th April to 31st May.....	222 21	222 21
	<i>Carried forward</i>		17,202 07

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>		17,202 07
	10.—LEGISLATION.		
Mr. Speaker.....	Services as Mr. Speaker.....	1,000 00	
C. Good	do. as Clerk of the House	300 00	
do.	Pay for Messenger's services.....	69 64	
T. Harris.....	Services as Sergeant-at-Arms	250 00	
Various	Indemnity to Members, including Mileage.....	7,682 50	
Sundry persons.....	Expenses of Elections.....	489 00	
do.	Contingent expenses	470 93	
J. R. Hett.....	Services as Law Clerk.....	300 00	
			10,562 07
	ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.		
	11.—Supreme Court.		
B. Woods.....	Salary as Registrar, to 31st May	808 30	
C. E. Pooley	do. as Deputy Registrar.....	808 30	
J. Irving.....	do. as Usher	250 00	
			1,866 60
	12.—High Sheriff.		
A. C. Elliott	In aid of expenses, to 31st May	625 00	625 00
	POLICE AND GAOLS.		
	13.—Victoria.		
H. B. Good.....	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, to 31st May.....	625 00	
W. Bowden	do. as Inspector, to 31st May	420 00	
R. McMillan.....	do. as Sergeant, 1st and 2nd January.....	4 50	
Various	Salaries to four Constables, to 31st May.....	1,203 50	
			2,252 80
P. Woolacott.....	Salary as Gaoler, to 31st May.....	460 00	
J. Hutchison	do. as Assistant Gaoler, to 31st May.....	380 20	
R. Truran	do. as Superintendent of Convicts, to 31st May	420 00	
Various.....	Salaries, to 31st May, to two Convict Guards	532 12	
do.	do. do. to two Door Guards.....	395 86	
do.	do. do. as Cook	173 38	
Hon. J. S. Helmcken	do. as Medical Officer, arrears to 31st December, 1871	269 35	
			2,630 91
	14.—New Westminster.		
F. G. Claudet	Salary as S. M. and Supt. Assay Office, to 31st May, 1872	1,010 40	
J. McNamara.....	do. as Constable, from 1st Dec., 1871, to do.	358 33	
W. Edwards.....	do. do. do. do.	358 33	
A. McBride	do. as Gaoler, do. do.	544 00	
W. Moresby.....	do. as Turnkey, do. do.	354 00	
Various.....	Services as Medical Officer, do. do.	250 78	
J. Miller.....	Salary as Constable, Burrard Inlet, 1st Jan. to do.	300 00	
			3,175 84
	15.—Kootenay and Columbia.		
J. C. Haynes	Allowances as Gold Com'r, &c., July 20 to Aug. 31, 1871	140 16	
J. Carrington	Salary as Constable, from 1st August to 31st Dec., 1871..	583 33	
			723 49
	16.—Cariboo.		
J. H. Sullivan.....	Salary as Clerk of Records, 1st Nov., 1871, to 31st May...	1,131 62	
J. Lindsay	do. as Chief Constable.....	1,131 62	
G. Green	do. as Constable and Gaoler	845 81	
J. Bowron	do. as Constable.....	588 00	
S. Archer.....	do. as Constable.....	588 00	
F. Trevor	do. as Constable at Quesnel.....	760 00	
			5,045 05
	17.—Omineca.		
W. H. Fitzgerald ...	Salary as Officer at Omineca, Nov. and Dec., 1871	323 32	
	<i>Carried forward</i>		44,083 83

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	323 32	44,083 83
	17.— <i>Omineca</i> .—Continued.		
W. H. Fitzgerald ...	Salary as Gold Commissioner, &c., to 30th April	1,000 00	
D. L. Ballantyne....	do. as Clerk of Records, 13th to 30th April.....	95 67	
R. A. Brown	do. as Constable at Port Essington, to 30th April	333 33	1,752 32
	18.— <i>Hope, Yale, and Lytton</i> .		
W. C. Berkeley.....	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, 11th April to 31st May.....	208 33	
E. Coffee.....	do. as Constable and Asst. Gaoler, 1st Feb., to 31st May	336 00	
J. Boyd.....	do. as Constable, Lytton, 1st to 31st May	84 00	628 33
	19.— <i>Lillooet and Clinton</i> .		
E. Tynon.....	Salary as Clerk of Bench, Lillooet, 24th May to 30th June	154 17	
O. E. Pope.....	do. do. Clinton, 15th May to 30th June	193 51	
W. Evans.....	do. as Constable, to 31st May.....	460 00	
J. H. Carmichael ...	do. as Toll Collector, 1st to 31st January	92 00	
J. L. S. Hughes	do. do. 1st April to 31st May.....	184 00	1,083 68
	20.— <i>Nanaimo, Comox, Salt Spring, and Cowichan</i> .		
W. Stewart	Salary as Constable, Nanaimo, 1st November to 31st May	427 00	
J. Rodello	do. do. Comox, do. do.	346 50	773 60
	21.— <i>ASSAY OFFICE</i> .		
W. Hitchcock	Salary as Chief Melter, to 31st May	809 98	
W. McColl	do. as Assistant Assayer, to 31st May	375 00	
Indian	do. as Messenger, New Westminster, to 31st May.....	24 00	
Various.....	Chemicals, Fuel, &c.....	205 47	1,414 45
	TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL SALARIES AND CONTINGENCIES...		49,736 21
	SERVICES, EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.		
	22.— <i>PENSIONS AND RETIRED ALLOWANCES</i> .		
Mrs. J. D. B. Ogilvy	Half-year's Pension, to May 6th.....	242 50	242 50
	23.— <i>ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE</i> .		
High Sheriff.....	Summoning Jurors and Witnesses	81 50	
S. M. New West'r...	do. do.	407 50	
do. Cariboo	do. do.	86 25	
Hon. A. R. Robertson	Prosecution and Interpreters' Fees	67 25	
Hang Yen.....	do. do.	40 00	
J. C. Davie, M.D....	do. do.	15 00	
Davie & Barnston...	do. do.	890 00	
Clerk of Bench, Yale	do. do.	17 25	
S. M., Lillooet.....	do. do.	4 00	
Coroner, Victoria...	Inquests, &c.....	94 50	
do. New West.	do.	88 60	
P. O'Reilly.....	Expenses of Registrars on Circuit.....	20 00	
C. Smith.....	do. do.	10 00	1,821 85
	24.— <i>CHARITABLE ALLOWANCES</i> .		
Treasurer, V. H.....	Hospital aid, Victoria.....	2,260 00	
President, R. C. H...	do. New Westminster.....	1,000 00	
Surgeon, C. H.....	do. Cariboo.....	1,999 98	
Rev. Dean Cridge...	Destitute poor and sick throughout the Province.....	100 00	
M. C. Ireland.....	do. do. do.	109 97	
Mayor of Victoria...	do. do. do.	50 00	
Clerk of Bench, Yale	do. do. do.	10 00	5,529 95
	<i>Carried forward</i>		57,330 51

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>		57,330 51
	25.—IMMIGRATION.		
T. L. Stahlschmidt..	Expenses as Delegate	200 00	200 00
	26.—EDUCATION.		
Superintendent.....	Esquimalt School.....	160 00	
do.	Craigflower do.	200 00	
do.	Cedar Hill do.	200 00	
do.	Lake do.	200 00	
do.	Metchozen do.	160 00	
do.	South Saanich School.....	120 00	
do.	Salt Spring Island School.....	360 00	
do.	Cowichan do.	120 00	
do.	Nanaimo do.	250 00	
do.	New Westminster do.	240 00	
do.	Burrard Inlet do.	335 49	
do.	Langley do.	320 00	
do.	Sumass do.	374 78	
do.	Yale do.	120 00	
do.	Cariboo do.	360 00	
do.	Comox do.	200 00	
do.	Salary to 31st May.....	238 88	
do.	Travelling expenses.....	138 86	
			4,098 01
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.		
H. B. Co.....	Passage of Witness	4 00	
do.	Medical comforts	12 00	
Hibben & Co.....	Stationery	18 75	
G. W. A. Lange.....	Clock	6 00	
M. Cameron.....	Sharpening and repairing Tools.....	33 87	
R. Brodrick.....	Coals.....	38 00	
E. Marvin.....	Tools	14 75	
Stipen'y Magistrate	Various persons	196 01	
T. Harris.....	Meat and Vegetables.....	135 76	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	10 00	
G. Thompson.....	Bread	115 83	
W. Arthur.....	House Rent	6 00	
F. Ross.....	Services, taking charge of Lunatics	50 00	
Water Co.....	Water.....	28 00	
W. Allman.....	Services to J. P., N. W. Coast	15 00	
J. Spelde.....	Digging Grave	5 00	
T. Arnold.....	Special Constable	25 00	
P. O'Reilly.....	Expenses arresting Indians, and bringing to Victoria charged with murder, including supplies and pay, to Specials.....	997 07	
Promis & Saunders..	Provisions	94 79	
J. Sehl.....	Matrasses, Blinds, Chairs	14 00	
Gas Co.....	Gas	55 05	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	25 00	
H. B. Co.....	Passages of Witnesses.....	56 00	
J. Morey.....	Repairs.....	3 50	
G. Stelly.....	Wood	40 00	
W. Newbury.....	Pistol Holsters	13 25	
J. Stewart.....	Repairing Gas Pipes	4 00	
Telegraph Co.....	Telegrams on Police Service	18 40	
F. Ross.....	Services	50 00	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning Yard	4 00	
do.	do.	7 00	
Promis & Saunders	Provisions	88 57	
Stipen'y Magistrate	Various Persons.....	200 35	
Stafford & Hickin...	Meat and Vegetables.....	138 20	
W. Wilson & Bro...	Pants and Coats.....	9 00	
do.	do.	40 50	
G. Thompson.....	Bread	134 86	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	2,707 51	61,628 52

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	2,707 51	61,628 52
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
H. B. Co.....	Passages of Convicts and Guards to New Westr., meals, &c.	113 50	
Water Co.....	Water	25 00	
Sundry Persons ¹	Keep, Supplies, &c.	372 29	
J. K. Suter	Advertising.....	2 50	
Sundry Persons.....	Keep, Supplies, &c.	283 04	
do.	do.	372 29	
Gaol Com., N. W....	Expenses	20 00	
G. F. Hicks	Supplies.....	57 00	
Indian	Packing Blankets, Police Service.....	80 00	
J. Carrington.....	Expenses absent on Police Service.....	37 75	
Sing Fee.....	Firewood for Gaol.....	25 00	
Gerow & Johnson...	Passages of Prisoners	152 50	
O. Hare	Holding Inquests.....	19 40	
do.	Services as Special Constable.....	36 00	
W. P. Barry.....	do. do.	15 00	
J. Mitchell	Conveying Letters on Police Service.....	5 00	
A. E. B. Davie	Taking Declaration	5 00	
Sue Lung.....	Interpreting.....	5 00	
J. Mitchell	Conveying Prisoners.....	60 00	
Ah Kay.....	Witness expenses.....	30 00	
Sing Yee.....	Firewood for Gaol.....	35 00	
G. Green	Keep of Prisoners.....	82 00	
Brown & Gillis...	Hire of Court Room	10 00	
G. Green	Keep of Prisoners	54 00	
F. Lallier.....	Candles and Bucket for Gaol.....	17 50	
G. Winthrop	Leg Irons.....	23 00	
C. E. Pope.....	Travelling expenses on Police duty.....	5 00	
—Challou.....	Special Constable	9 00	
J. Boyd.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	6 75	
Indian.....	Clearing snow from Gaol	2 00	
E. Dewdney.....	Witness.....	10 00	
—Jackson	do. and canoe hire.....	6 00	
Indian.....	Arresting Prisoners.....	5 00	
C. E. Pope.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	5 00	
Gerow & Johnson...	Passage of Lunatic.....	15 00	
J. Boyd.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	3 00	
—Challou.....	Special Constable	4 00	
E. Coffee.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	18 00	
Indian.....	Conveying Despatch	2 50	
Steamer "Onward"	Passages	5 00	
T. Forrester.....	Special Constable	5 00	
E. Coffee.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	8 00	
Indian.....	Detention as Witness	5 00	
do.	Special Messenger	8 00	
do.	Interpreting.....	1 00	
W. Evans.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	11 00	
Indian.....	Interpreting.....	3 00	
do.	Killing Wolves	20 00	
R. Beauchamp	Killing Panther	10 00	
W. Clarke	Special Constable, Passages, &c., of Prisoners.....	13 00	
Indian.....	Killing Wolves	30 00	
do.	do.	15 00	
J. Webb	Meals for Prisoners	24 37	
T. C. Milburn	Killing Panther	10 00	
W. Clarke	Special Constable	5 00	
G. W. Booth	Meals for Prisoners	7 00	
W. Clarke	Passages of Prisoners	21 00	
P. Martin	Special Constable	7 50	
J. Burnes	do.	10 00	
T. Wall.....	do.	2 50	
J. Thompson	do.	2 50	
J. Stodderd	do.	2 50	
R. Choak	do.	2 50	
R. Williams	do.	2 50	
W. Stewart	Cartage of Prisoners' Baggage	2 50	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	4,968 60	61,628 52

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	4,968 60	61,628 52
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
W. Clarke	Constable's passage	6 50	
W. Stewart	Travelling expenses, absent on Police duty.....	12 00	
S. Waddington	Special Constable.....	2 50	
W. Cartwright	do.	2 50	
H. Kemper.....	Killing Wolves	10 00	
Indian.....	Panther.....	10 00	
do.	do.	10 00	
J. D. Dixon	do.	10 00	
J. McBratine	do.	10 00	
W. Perkins.....	Award for damage done by prisoner.....	5 00	
F. Page.....	Services as Special Constable.....	200 00	
R. Brodrick & Co. ..	Coals.....	88 00	
Gas Co	Gas	44 25	
Anahaim	Purchase of a canoe for Constable's use	60 00	
Isador	Canoe hire.....	115 00	
J. Garvin.....	Special Constable services.....	390 00	
Langley & Co	Trusses.....	5 00	
Lowe, Stahlshmidt & Co	Brogans	66 00	
E. Marvin.....	Lanterns, bradawl, bucket, lamp scissors.....	11 25	
T. H. Long.....	Advertising	12 00	
P. McQuade.....	Soap, handcuffs	12 00	
J. Morley	Personal attendance, investigating charge of murder, and expenses of Special Constable	9 00	
P. Cranoelli.....	Lamps and wick.....	5 50	
G. Stelly.....	Wood	10 00	
J. Dickson	Stores, &c.....	64 63	
W. Arthur	Rent	8 00	
W. Spring	Services on "Scout"	120 00	
R. Seabrook.....	Coal	18 50	
F. Ross.....	Services	50 00	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning.....	7 00	
Stafford & Hickin...	Supplies.....	128 63	
G. Thomson.....	Bread	122 17	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising	7 50	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For sundry persons	217 75	
A. & W. Wilson	Supplies.....	107 99	
Promis & Saunders..	do.	124 60	
J. C. Davie.....	Dressing wound	10 00	
Water Co.....	Water, and new pipes.....	68 00	
Gas Co	Gas	34 65	
F. Ross.....	Services	50 00	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning.....	7 00	
G. Thomson.....	Bread	98 14	
Gas Co	Gas	38 25	
Hibben & Co.....	Supplies.....	26 37	
Stafford & Hickin...	do.	107 64	
C. C. L. & W.....	Tools for Convicts.....	7 50	
M. Cameron.....	Sharpening tools	72 90	
W. Arthur	Rent	16 00	
Water Co	Water	25 00	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For sundry persons	198 75	
Promis & Saunders..	Supplies.....	60 20	
R. Seabrook.....	Coal	86 00	
H. Short.....	Ammunition	13 75	
J. Feillet.....	Keys	8 00	
H. B. Co.....	Passages	36 50	
J. Crowther.....	Glazing	2 00	
Promis & Saunders..	Supplies.....	110 04	
F. Ross.....	Services	50 00	
H. B. Co.....	Supplies.....	660 62	
G. Stelly.....	Wood	40 00	
Stafford & Hickin...	Supplies.....	110 55	
J. Schl	Matrasses.....	16 55	
Water Co	Water	25 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	9,031 26	61,628 52

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	9,031 28	61,628 52
	27.-POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
G. Stelly.....	Wood	20 00	
Gas Co.....	Gas	30 45	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning.....	7 00	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For various persons.....	793 03	
do.	do. do.	677 83	
do.	do. do.	921 26	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	17 00	
J. Carrington.....	Travelling expenses.....	12 50	
J. Campbell.....	Keep of Horses for Constables' use	54 35	
W. Heeley	Special Constable.....	494 61	
Fock Ching	Police services	5 00	
O. Hare.....	do.	40 00	
Sing Tee.....	Firewood.....	65 00	
Barnard's Express..	Passages	120 00	
F. Trevor.....	Holding Inquests	19 40	
W. Boucher.....	Police services.....	20 00	
Robertson Bros.....	Making Coffins	30 00	
R. Downy.....	Bringing down dead bodies.....	90 00	
W. Hoffman.....	Conveying crazy man	140 00	
S. Thomas	Boarding an idiotic man.....	24 00	
G. Green.....	Keep of prisoners.....	110 00	
J. Lindsay	Allowance on duty	66 50	
W. Irving.....	Passage	7 00	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	15 00	
J. Lindsay	Meals for a Lunatic.....	12 25	
W. Hoffman.....	Clothes for do.	25 00	
G. Green	Keep of prisoners.....	129 00	
J. Chipp.....	Giving evidence	25 00	
do.	do.	10 00	
T. Bell.....	Holding Inquests	9 70	
Barnard & Co.....	Passages and meals.....	253 00	
G. B. Wright & Co..	do. do.	10 00	
W. Irving.....	do. do.	12 00	
G. Green	Keep of prisoners.....	68 00	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	7 00	
Steamer Onward.....	Passages	6 50	
T. R. Buie	Telegram	50	
Ah Lit.....	Witness	11 00	
Hong Sung.....	Interpreting.....	10 00	
W. Yates	do.	16 50	
E. Coffee.....	Keep of prisoners.....	37 50	
W. Marshall.....	Special Constable	25 00	
H. D. Shuttleworth	do.	6 00	
W. C. Berkeley.....	Holding Inquest.....	9 70	
Dick	Horse hire for Special Constable	25 00	
J. Hammond	Special Constable	40 00	
L. Perro	Interpreter.....	15 00	
Indian.....	Horse hire.....	35 00	
Cornwall Bros.....	do. feed.....	12 00	
Barnard & Co.....	Passages.....	44 00	
A. Barlow	do. &c.....	25 25	
E. Coffee.....	Keep of prisoners.....	17 00	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	3 00	
— Challou.....	Interpreting	2 00	
D. Allen	Special Constable	30 00	
Indian.....	Interpreting.....	1 50	
G. Martin.....	Special Constable	25 00	
L. McAllister.....	Taking charge of prisoner.....	9 00	
Indian.....	Police messenger	10 00	
T. G. Kirkpatrick..	Meals	1 50	
Maxfield & Co.....	do.	2 50	
A. Royer	Passage	10 00	
Grelley & Arnaud..	Meals	2 50	
A. Coutlee	do.	3 00	
B. T. Mullen	do.	2 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	13,810 11	61,628 52

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts
	<i>Brought forward</i>	13,810 11	61,628 52
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
W. Irving.....	Passages, &c.....	21 00	
R. Sproat.....	Meals, &c.....	8 50	
J. E. Roberts.....	do.....	3 00	
Indian.....	Horse hire.....	8 00	
W. Evans.....	Proportion of Fine.....	11 66	
Chapaille.....	Cleaning Gaol, &c.....	1 50	
E. Smith.....	Meals.....	15 00	
F. J. Barnard.....	Passages.....	62 00	
A. Barlow.....	do.....	25 00	
Indian.....	Proportion of Fine.....	8 33	
do.....	Police Services.....	10 00	
J. Wren.....	Leather for cars.....	4 00	
J. McBratyne.....	Killing Wolves and Panthers.....	60 00	
H. Kemper.....	do. do.....	25 00	
Indian.....	do. do.....	10 00	
do.....	do. do.....	10 00	
J. McBratyne.....	do. do.....	25 00	
Indian.....	do. do.....	10 00	
H. Kemper.....	do. do.....	10 00	
J. O'Reilly.....	Special Constable.....	2 50	
H. Kemper.....	Killing Wolves, &c.....	20 00	
L. Stark.....	do. do.....	20 00	
Indian.....	Special Constable.....	10 00	
do.....	do.....	10 00	
do.....	Interpreting.....	5 00	
F. Page.....	Special Constable.....	200 00	
	28.—RENT.		14,661 13
Sir J. Douglas, K.C.B.	Government House, Victoria.....	24 25	
E. Tynon.....	do. do. Lillooet.....	60 00	
	Boat House, Nanaimo.....	nil.	
J. Rodello.....	Gaol, Comox.....	25 00	
J. McDonald.....	Omineca.....	80 00	
	29.—TRANSPORT.		189 25
Private Secretary, for various persons	The Lieutenant-Governor.....	151 00	
Treasury, for do.	Freight on treasure.....	94 00	
	Actual Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty.		94 00
do. do.	.....	594 55	
Stipen'y Magistrate	New Westminster.....	33 50	
do.	Kootenay and Columbia.....	nil.	
do.	Cariboo.....	100 50	
do.	Omineca.....	575 75	
Clerk of the Bench.	Hope, Yale and Lytton.....	297 00	
do.	Lillooet and Clinton.....	172 75	
do.	Nanaimo.....	103 50	
Treasury, for vari- ous persons	Keep of Government horses throughout the Province.....	77 99	1,877 55
Steamer Otter.....	Passages of miners from Skeena.....	1,003 29	77 99
	30.—WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		1,003 29
	Completion of Gaol at Nanaimo, and purchase of Land...	nil.	
	Construction of Court House, New Westminster.....	nil.	
	<i>Graving Dock.</i>		
"Standard".....	Advertising.....	60 00	
"Guardian".....	do.....	20 00	
Wells, Fargo & Co..	Freight on maps.....	2 25	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	15 00	
			97 25
	<i>Carried forward</i>		79,779 98

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	<i>Brought forward.....</i>		79,779 98
	30.—WORKS AND BUILDINGS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	31.— <i>Government House, Victoria.</i>		
C. C. L. & W.....	Labour and supplies, Repairs		1,719 68
H. B. Co.....	Furniture.....	325 13	
C. C. L. & W.....	do.	5 00	
T. L. Fawcett & Co.	do.	114 00	
			444 13
S. R. Water Co.....	Water		nil.
J. McDowell.....	Fuel and Light.....	12 00	
Brodrick & Co.....	do.	30 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	do.	16 50	
do.	do.	23 00	
Fell & Co.....	do.	13 00	
T. Harris.....	do.	75 00	
			169 50
C. C. L. & W.....	Planting Grounds		56 25
do.	Gardener, and assistance.....		300 00
do.	Fencing		nil.
do.	Incidentals	18 00	
Ah Sam.....	do.	80 00	
			98 00
	32.— <i>Government House, New Westminster.</i>		
C. C. L. & W.....	Repairs.....		378 25
	Fuel and Light.....		nil.
W. London.....	Gardener's Salary		160 00
	Incidentals		nil.
	33. <i>Repairs to Public Buildings, Provincial.</i>		
C. C. L. & W.....	Government Buildings, Victoria.....		335 12
J. McDowell.....	House of Assembly	147 00	
T. Storey	do.	22 00	
Muirhead & Bruce....	do.	278 50	
J. Crowther.....	do.	26 50	
Moody & Co.....	do.	14 77	
Spratt & Irving.....	do.	35 00	
			523 77
C. C. L. & W.....	New Westminster.....		175 25
do.	Yale		30 50
do.	Lillooet and Clinton		nil.
do.	Cariboo		127 68
do.	Kootenay		83 00
do.	Omineca.....		nil.
do.	Miscellaneous Surveys throughout the Province.....		1,999 12
	34.—ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.		
	Repairs to Roads and Trails throughout the Province:—		
C. C. L. & W.....	Yale and Clinton Road.....	12,097 42	
do.	Clinton and Cameronton Road	281 19	
do.	Douglas and Clinton Road	562 00	
do.	Burrard Inlet Road	1,064 35	
do.	New Westminster and Yale Sleigh Road, including Bridges over Coquahalla River.....	785 32	
do.	Hope and Kootenay Trail.....	1,708 50	
do.	Lillooet and Lytton Trail.....	nil.	
do.	New Westminster District Roads and Trails, including False Creek, Coquitlam Creek, and Sumass Bridges..	966 00	
do.	Trails, Cariboo District	55 00	
	<i>Carried forward.....</i>	17,519 78	86,380 23

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	17,519 78	86,380 23
	34.—ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.—Continued.		
	Repairs to Roads and Trails throughout the Province:—		
O. C. L. & W.....	Trail, Quesnel to Germansen Creek, by Nation River ..	<i>nil.</i>	
do.	Trail from the Western Coast to intersect same'.....	<i>nil.</i>	
do.	Roads and Trails, Yale and Lytton District, including		
	Bridge across Nicola River	202 37	
do.	Repairs to Road from Cache Creek to Savona's Ferry ...	218 37	
do.	Road from Savona's Ferry to Okanagan	815 44	
Treasurer M.C., N.W	Repairs to Front Street, New Westminster	750 00	
	Esquimalt Road, including new Bridges.....	<i>nil.</i>	
O. C. L. & W.....	Victoria District Roads.....	3,581 85	
do.	Esquimalt District Roads and Trails, including Bridge		
	across Sooke River	325 50	
do.	Cowichan District Roads and Trails	815 90	
do.	Nanaimo District Roads and Bridges.....	220 35	
do.	Comox Roads and Trails	281 34	
do.	Alberni to Nanaimo Trail, and from this point to Nanooose	46 50	
do.	Construction of Trail through Eagle Pass	<i>nil.</i>	
do.	Omineca District Trails, <i>arrears</i> , 1871.....	2,405 50	
do.	Fort St. James and Manson River Trail, <i>arrears</i> , 1871...	1,474 01	
do.	Giscombe Portage Route, <i>arrears</i> , 1871.....	363 46	
			29,020 37
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.		
	Provincial Exhibitions'.....		<i>nil.</i>
	Insurance on all Government Buildings.....		<i>nil.</i>
Telegraph Co.....	Telegrams.....		86 25
	Taking charge of Gov't. Buildings, Douglas & Langley ...		<i>nil.</i>
C. C. L. & W.....	Printing General Map of Province, in England.....		23 39
Postmasters.....	Postage		152 38
O. C. L. & W.....	Tools and implements for road making.....		494 49
Fire Department.....	Victoria Fire Department.....	1,500 00	
do.	New Westminster Fire Department	500 00	
do.	Williams Creek Fire Brigade	500 00	
			2,500 00
	Road Tax Commission:—		
J. Morley	Commission.....	1 70	
W. C. Siffken	For Roll.....	50 00	
J. Morley	Commission.....	1 10	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	10 00	
do.	do.	47 00	
J. Morley	Commission.....	3 30	
W. Stewart.....	do.	85 00	
J. Morley	do.	23 70	
do.	do.	20 60	
do.	do.	4 50	
W. C. Siffken.....	do.	90 45	
do.	do.	74 67	
			412 02
O. Good	Treasurer Mechanics Institute, Victoria.....		500 00
	Water Company, Victoria.....		<i>nil.</i>
	Miscellaneous Services not detailed:—		
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	85 00	
do.	do.	52 75	
W. G. Bowman.....	Carriage hire	5 00	
J. T. Dunlop	do.	10 00	
T. Harris.....	Labour.....	37 50	
J. Doughty.....	Supplies.....	12 00	
			202 25
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.:—		
Ah Chow.....	Wood.....	2 00	
J. McDowell.....	Office Repairs.....	4 50	
Ah Jan	Wood	1 00	
D. Leneveu.....	Hay and oats for horse used on office business.....	70 93	
J. McDowell.....	Office repairs	50	
D. Deasy.....	Treasury Messenger for January	20 83	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	99 76	119,771 38

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	99 76	119,771 38
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.:—		
J. Sehl.....	Office furniture.....	45 50	
C. E. Redfern.....	A clock.....	8 00	
Mrs. Deasy.....	Cleaning Attorney-General's Office.....	10 00	
Str. "Enterprise".....	Freight on presses for offices.....	2 00	
Hibben & Co.....	Stationery.....	38 25	
R. Brodrick & Co.....	Fuel.....	50 00	
H. Lyne.....	For "Colonists".....	16 25	
Langley & Co.....	Soap.....	50	
Mainland Guardian.....	Subscription thereto.....	20 00	
Vancouver Coal Co.....	Coal.....	16 50	
R. Brodrick.....	Wood.....	6 00	
C. E. Bunting.....	Office repairs.....	52 00	
D. Deasy.....	Treasury Messenger for February.....	20 83	
Hibben & Co.....	Stationery.....	34 37	
C. C. L. & W.....	For sundry persons, Stationery, Fuel.....	50 25	
J. Weiler.....	Office Furniture.....	3 50	
R. T. Williams.....	Book-binding.....	14 25	
Hibben & Co.....	Stationery.....	67 00	
Mainland Guardian.....	Subscription to.....	10 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	Fuel for offices.....	137 50	
J. McDowell.....	Repairing Lock.....	1 50	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	5 00	
R. T. Williams.....	Book-binding.....	9 00	
E. Harrison, Jr.....	Copying.....	3 12	
G. Fox.....	Grinding.....	1 25	
S. S. Burt.....	Broom, &c.....	1 00	
C. E. Bunting.....	Book shelves.....	95 00	
T. L. Fawcett.....	Blinds.....	17 98	
J. T. Dunlop.....	Carriage hire.....	5 00	
E. Harrison, Jr.....	Copying.....	7 12	
"Standard".....	Subscription to.....	13 12	
Stipen'y Magistrate	Sundry persons, Paper, Envelopes, Candles, Stove		
Holbrook, Fisher &	Fittings, Cord-wood, &c.....	24 75	
Co.....	Coals.....	27 00	
G. B. Murray.....	Stationery and Ink.....	23 00	
W. Goodridge.....	Firewood.....	88 00	
M. Oppenheimer & Co	Candles.....	4 60	
J. S. Galbraith.....	do.....	9 00	
Sing Yee.....	Firewood.....	45 00	
W. Davison.....	Pencils, Ink, &c.....	9 25	
F. J. Barnard.....	Express charges.....	6 50	
Ah Foo.....	Cleaning offices.....	20 00	
Sing Yee.....	Firewood.....	50 00	
Ah Foo.....	Cleaning offices.....	20 00	
Brown & Gillis.....	Firewood.....	22 50	
W. Davison.....	Ink, and Repairing Clock.....	8 50	
J. Wickham.....	Freight upon Stationery.....	5 90	
Ah Foo.....	Cleaning offices.....	20 00	
F. Lallier.....	Ink.....	4 50	
G. Coxon.....	Candles.....	2 25	
George.....	Sawing wood.....	3 00	
J. Quagliotti.....	Candles.....	2 25	
T. R. Buie.....	Ink and Envelopes.....	1 25	
Indian.....	Wood.....	75	
J. M. Ritchie.....	do.....	21 00	
Indian.....	Cleaning offices.....	12 40	
do.....	Cutting wood.....	13 50	
J. M. Ritchie.....	Repairing Clock.....	4 00	
F. W. Foster.....	Coal Oil.....	10 00	
Indian.....	Cleaning offices.....	11 80	
T. James & Co.....	Ink, Rope, Candles, Soap, Shovel, Coal-scuttle, &c.....	14 32	
Indian.....	Firewood.....	36 00	
D. Deasy.....	Treasury Messenger.....	20 83	
"Pacific Herald".....	Subscription to.....	2 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	1,405 40	119,771 38

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	1,405 40	119,771 38
	35.--MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.—Continued.		
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.:—		
G. W. A. Lange.....	Repairing Office Clock	2 50	
W. McDowell.....	Cartage of Fuel.....	4 50	
H. Lyne.....	Subscription to "Daily British Colonist".....	6 50	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	79 75	
Fell & Co.....	Coal Oil, Candles, &c.....	3 37	
do.	do. do.	26 62	
do.	do. do.	9 50	
Wells Fargo & Co....	Freight upon Maps.....	14 60	
Chinaman	Kindling wood.....	50	
H. B. Co.....	Stationery for Stipendiary Magistrate, Omineca.....	30 37	
J. Gaston.....	Express charges on Stationery	55 00	
M. C. Ireland.....	do. do.	33 00	
"Guardian"	Advertising.....	7 50	
Mrs. Deasy.....	Cleaning Attorney-General's office.....	10 00	
Hayward & Jenkinson	Making and fitting handles to Rollers.....	1 50	
J. McDowell.....	Repairing Locks and Book-cases	9 25	
W. Bond.....	Drayage of Safe for Attorney-General's office.....	7 50	
M. W. T. Drake.....	Safe for Attorney-General's office.....	100 00	
D. Deasy.....	Treasury Messenger.....	20 83	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising and Printing.....	121 00	
Supreme Court.....	Firewood.....	2 37	
H. P. P. Crease.....	A Safe.....	50 00	
Hibben & Co.....	Parchment and Paper.....	111 75	
W. Bond.....	Removing Office Furniture.....	37 53	
"Cariboo Sentinel"	Advertising.....	17 00	
"Guardian"	do.	25 00	
S. R. Water Co.....	Water.....	12 37	
R. T. Williams	Binding Acts.....	10 00	
R. Brodrick & Co....	Wood	3 00	
T. Wilson & Co.....	Office Furniture.....	36 56	
G. T. Seymour.....	Chairs.....	59 50	
do.	do.	17 50	
C. C. L. & W.....	For various persons, Coal, &c.....	51 25	
do.	do. do.	49 62	
do.	do. do. do.	6 00	
J. McDowell.....	Labor in office.....	31 50	
Harrison & Sons.....	Books.....	7 27	
Hibben & Co.....	Paper, Envelopes, &c.....	76 63	
D. Deasy.....	Treasury Messenger.....	20 83	
R. T. Williams	Book-binding.....	7 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	For various persons, Stationery, &c.....	74 11	
D. W. Higgins.....	Advertising.....	48 00	
J. McDowell	Office Repairs.....	22 25	
G. B. Murray.....	Ink and Books	7 88	
T. J. Galbraith.....	Candles	9 00	
E. F. Hicks	Paper	5 00	
W. Morrow.....	Wood	12 00	
Oppenheimer & Co..	Ink and Paper.....	2 75	
Ah Moon.....	Cleaning Court House.....	10 00	
J. Montgomery	Paper and Envelopes.....	4 50	
Sing Yee.....	Firewood.....	35 00	
do.	do.	65 00	
R. Holloway.....	Printing and Advertising.....	20 00	
Barnard's Express..	Charges on forms.....	2 30	
Ah Foo.....	Cleaning Offices.....	20 00	
T. Collins.....	Firewood	17 00	
A. Barlow	Coal Oil.....	5 00	
Ah Foo.....	Cleaning Offices.....	20 00	
J. Chipp.....	Ink.....	3 25	
W. T. Milross.....	Repairing Maps	2 00	
Barnard & Co.....	Express charges.....	45	
Ah Foo	Cleaning Offices.....	20 00	
W. Irving.....	Freight on Stores.....	6 25	
J. A. Mara.....	Ink, &c.....	7 25	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	3,000 83	119,771 38

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	3,000 83	119,771 38
	35.-MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.—Continued.		
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.: —		
A. Anderson	Wood, <i>arrears</i> , 1871.....	56 00	
Kimball & Gladwin	Drayage of Stores.....	2 00	
Indian.....	Cutting Wood.....	1 50	
G. Coxon	Candles.....	2 25	
F. J. Barnard.....	Freight on Forms.....	2 25	
Indian.....	Cleaning Offices.....	18 20	
F. W. Foster.....	Paper, &c.....	8 00	
Indian.....	Conveying Despatches.....	2 50	
E. Budwig.....	Gunpowder.....	4 50	
Dunsmuir & Co.....	Coal.....	56 00	
Indian.....	Firewood, and bringing Letters.....	63 00	
			3,217 03
	Gratuities to Officers.....		<i>nil.</i>
	Appropriation for re-establishment of Ferry, at Lillooet... do. for Lunatics		<i>nil.</i> <i>nil.</i>
	Copies of Official Maps for Registrar-General: —		
T. Westgarth.....	On account of the above service.....		300 00
R. T. Williams	Copy of Despatches for Dominion Government		<i>nil.</i>
Bank of B. O.	Expenses, Binding Revised Statutes, 1871.....		391 50
	Loss upon sale of Gold Bars.....		1 84
	Expenses of Elections, <i>arrears</i> of 1871: —		
J. Work	Special Messenger.....	200 00	
High Sheriff, for various			
F. G. Claudet	Revising, &c	1,254 12	
T. Robertson	Services as Returning Officer.....	24 00	
A. Vowell	Special Messenger and Poll Clerk ..	305 00	
C. Emerson	Collector and Returning Officer.....	60 00	
J. Carrington	Poll Clerk.....	3 00	
R. Holloway	Collector	50 00	
H. M. Ball	Advertising	10 00	
R. J. Skinner	Returning Officer	30 00	
D. L. Ballantine ...	Election Clerk.....	17 00	
A. E. B. Davie	Messenger and Deputy Returning Officer	70 00	
J. H. Sullivan	Deputy Returning Officer.....	60 00	
W. McColl	Returning Officer	20 00	
O. Travaillet.....	Poll Clerk	15 00	
G. Hamilton	Special Messenger.....	350 00	
W. Renay.....	For Snow shoes	10 00	
Indian.....	Packing	64 00	
W. H. Fitzgerald ...	do.	64 00	
Indian.....	Returning Officer	10 00	
F. Page	Packing	64 00	
J. Lindsay	Election Clerk.....	3 00	
F. Trevor	Returning Officer	10 00	
F. J. Barnard	do. and travelling expenses	73 00	
A. Vance	Keep of Horses.....	6 00	
W. Stewart	Messenger.....	5 00	
G. F. Drabble	Collector	50 00	
	do.	50 00	
			2,877 12
	Expenses connected with Assay of Minerals, <i>arrears</i>, 1871:		
Superintendent, for various persons...	Chemicals, &c.....	54 87	
Chief Melter	Pay of self and assistant for December.....	237 50	
Superintendent, for various	Chemicals, &c.....	389 56	
			681 93
	Relinquishing Improvements on Government Reserves: —		
G. E. Nias	For the above.....	1,200 00	
J. Trimble	do.	1,170 00	
			2,370 00
	<i>Carried forward</i>		129,610 80

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>		129,610 80
	REVENUE SERVICES, (exclusive of Establishments).		
O. Hare.....	Commission.....	88 49	
W. H. Lowe.....	Travelling expenses.....	35 50	
A. Coultie	Hay and Grain	1 00	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	3 50	
G. Salter	Hay.....	50	
G. W. Boothroyd.....	Hay.....	4 00	
J. Boyd.....	Travelling Expenses.....	7 50	
			140 49
	DRAWBACKS AND REFUNDS.		
C. S. Wylde.....	Of a House sold in New Westminster	20 00	
Smith & Evans	Of a Survey Fee.....	10 00	
R. Burnaby	Of Taxes, twice paid.....	95 29	
			125 29
	THE COMMISSIONERS OF SAVINGS BANKS' ACCOUNT.		
Cashier	Portion of Temporary Loan repaid.....		4,000 00
			133,876 58
	Add error in page 11		18
			133,876 76
	Deduct error in page 13.....		37 50
	TOTAL.....		133,839 26

ERRATA.

At page 11, Government House, Victoria, for \$1,719 68, read \$1,719 86.
 „ 13, Fuel for Offices, for \$137 50, read \$100.

*Audit Office, B. C.,
 January 29th, 1873.*

THOMAS R. HOLMES.

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**STATEMENT shewing the Payments made by the Provincial Treasury on account
of the Province of British Columbia, during the six months ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1872.**

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
ESTABLISHMENTS.			
DEPARTMENTAL SALARIES, ALLOWANCES, AND CONTINGENCIES.			
1.—LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.			
A. G. J. Pinder.....	Salary as Private Secretary, to 31st December.....	1,052 70	
R. Colston	do. Messenger, to 15th August	175 00	
W. Bucket	do. do. 31st December	209 63	
Private Secretary ...	For Stationery	60 21	
			1,497 54
2.—PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. A. R. Robertson	Salary as Provincial Secretary, to 22nd December	1,665 28	
" J. Ash	do. do. 31st December	84 68	
G. Good	do. Assistant Provincial Secretary, to 31 December	969 96	
J. Connell	do. Clerk, to 31st December	799 98	
D. Deasy.....	do. Messenger do.	300 00	
			3,819 90
3.—Printing Branch.			
R. Wolfenden	Salary as Superintendent, to 31st December	660 00	
R. Butler	do. Printer, do.	480 00	
G. Williams	do. Assistant Printer do.	480 00	
			1,620 00
4.—Audit Branch.			
T. R. Holmes.....	Salary as Audit Clerk, to 31st December		737 65
5.—Treasury Branch.			
J. Graham	Salary as Officer in charge, to 19th October	1,075 99	
A. Calder	do. Clerk, to 31st December	726 00	
W. C. Berkeley	do. do.	269 32	
			2,071 31
6.—LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. G. A. Walkem	Salary as Chief Commissioner, to 22nd December	1,956 94	
" R. Beaven.....	do. do. 31st December.....	84 68	
B. W. Pearse	do. Surveyor-General, to 17th October	919 13	
A. R. Howse	do. Clerk of Records, to 31st December	770 00	
J. B. Launders	do. Draughtsman, to 18th July	173 87	
C. Scott	do. do. 19th September to 31st Dec....	374 00	
J. J. Austin	do. Accountant, to 31st December.....	770 00	
J. T. Baker	do. Messenger, do.	350 00	
			5,398 62
7.—REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S OFFICE.			
H. B. W. Aikman...	Salary as Registrar-General of Titles, to 31st December...		1,131 62
8.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.			
Hon. J. F. McCreight	Salary as Attorney-General, to 22nd December	1,956 94	
" G. A. Walkem	do. do. 31st December.....	84 68	
H. S. Mason	do. Clerk do.	933 30	
			2,974 92
9.—EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.			
J. J. Young	Salary as Clerk, to 31st December		933 31
	<i>Carried forward.....</i>		20,184 87

TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT SERVICE.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	<i>Brought forward</i>		20,184 87
	10.—LEGISLATION.		
C. Good	Salary as Clerk of the House, to 31st December	300 00	
Do.	For services of Messenger	40 00	
Sundry persons.....	Sessional Indemnity (including mileage)	515 00	
Do.	Expenses of Elections	3,956 87	
Do.	Contingent Fund	1,401 80	6,213 67
	ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.		
	11.—Supreme Court.		
R. Woods	Salary as Registrar, to 31st December	1,131 62	
C. E. Pooley	do. Deputy Registrar, do.	1,131 62	
J. Irving.....	do. Usher do.	350 00	2,613 24
	12.—High Sheriff.		
A. C. Elliott	In aid of expenses, to 31st December		875 00
	POLICE AND GAOLS.		
	13.—Victoria.		
H. B. Good	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, to 31st December	875 00	
J. H. Sullivan	do. Superintendent of Police do.	165 46	
W. Bowden	do. Inspector do.	588 00	
Various	do. 4 Constables do.	1,680 00	3,308 46
P. Woollacott	do. Gaoler do.	644 00	
J. Hutchison	do. Assistant Gaoler do.	532 28	
E. Truran	do. Superintendent of Convicts do.	588 00	
Various	do. 2 Convict Guards do.	744 80	
Do.	do. Door Guard do.	288 42	
Do.	do. Cook do.	319 32	
J. S. Helmcken	do. Medical Officer do.	600 00	3,716 82
	14.—New Westminster.		
F. G. Claudet	Salary as S. Magistrate and Supt. Assay Office, to 31 Dec.	1,414 56	
J. McNamara.....	do. Constable, to 31st December	420 00	
W. Edwards	do. do. do.	420 00	
A. McBride	do. Gaoler do.	644 00	
W. Moresby	do. Turnkey do.	413 00	
C. N. Trew.....	do. Medical Officer do.	350 00	
J. Miller	do. Constable, Burrard Inlet, to 31st December.....	420 00	4,081 56
	15.—Columbia and Kootenay.		
J. C. Haynes	Allowances as Gold Commissioner, to 13th July	693 30	
A. Vowell	Salary as Gold Commissioner, to 31st December	2,150 00	
J. Normansell	do. Clerk of Records, &c., to 30th June	852 00	
C. Booth.....	do. do. to 31st December	1,197 50	
J. Carrington.....	do. Constable, to 26th June	686 04	
J. G. Milne	do. do. 31st December	990 60	
W. Fernie	do. do. do.	990 60	
A. Vowell	do. Chief Constable, French Creek, to 10th April...	473 33	8,033 37
	16.—Cariboo.		
J. H. Sullivan	Salary as Clerk of Records, to 26th November	948 30	
J. Bowron	do. do. 31st December	183 32	
J. Lindsay	do. Chief Constable do.	1,131 62	
G. Green	do. Constable and Gaoler do.	846 83	
J. Bowron	do. Constable, to 26th November	490 28	
S. Archer	do. do. 31st December	588 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	4,188 35	49,026 99

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	4,188 35	49,026 99
	<i>16.—Cariboo.—Continued.</i>		
F. Trevor	Salary as Constable, Quesnel, to 17th June	69 00	
O. Hare	do. do. Quesnel Forks, to 31st December ...	968 00	5,225 55
	<i>17.—Omineca.</i>		
W. H. Fitzgerald ...	Salary as Gold Commissioner, to 30th November	1,750 00	
F. Page	do. Clerk of Records, to 30th April	646 66	
D. L. Ballantyne ...	do. do. 31st August	646 64	
F. Page	do. do. 30th November	484 98	
Do.	do. Constable, 1st May to 31st August	500 00	
N. Fitzstubbbs.....	do. do. to 30th November	375 00	
R. A. Brown	do. do. Port Essington, to 31st October	499 99	4,903 27
	<i>18.—Hope, Yale, and Lytton.</i>		
W. C. Berkeley	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, to 24th October	596 77	
B. P. Griffin	do. do. 31st December	302 40	
G. Pope	do. Constable and Gaoler, to 31st August	721 19	
Do.	do. Toll Collector (<i>arrears</i> 1871)	329 61	
W. Evans	do. Constable, to 31st December	457 92	
E. Coffee	do. do. do.	672 00	
J. Boyd	do. do. Lytton do.	956 00	
C. E. Pope	do. Chief Constable, to 30th April.....	400 59	4,436 48
	<i>19.—Lillooet.</i>		
E. Tynon	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, Lillooet, to 31st December	625 00	
C. E. Pope	do. do. Clinton, do.	750 00	
J. H. Carmichael ...	do. Toll Collector, &c., to 31st March	184 00	1,559 00
	<i>20.—Nanaimo, Comox, Salt Spring Island, and Cowichan.</i>		
F. Trevor	Salary as Clerk of the Bench, to 30th November	649 98	
W. Stewart	do. Constable, Nanaimo, do.	366 00	
J. Rodello	do. do. Comox, do.	124 98	
E. M. Skinner	do. do. Cowichan, do. (<i>and arrears</i>)...	154 71	
H. Sampson	do. do. Salt Spring do. do.	152 38	1,448 05
	<i>21.—ASSAY OFFICE.</i>		
W. Hitchcock	Salary as Chief Melter, to 31st December	1,131 62	
W. McColl	do. Assistant Assayer, do.	525 50	
Various	Chemicals, Fuel, Freight, &c.	547 65	
Indian	Pay as Messenger. New Westminster, to 31st December...	72 00	2,276 27
	TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL SALARIES AND CONTINGENCIES		68,875 41
	SERVICES, EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.		
	<i>22.—PENSIONS.</i>		
Mrs. J. D. B. Ogilvy	Half year's pension		242 50
	<i>23.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.</i>		
Hudson's Bay Co. ...	Passage of witnesses	70 00	
Registrar S. Court ..	Attendance and travelling expenses of witnesses, &c.....	498 50	
Various	do. do. do.	857 25	
High Sheriff	Summoning jurors and witnesses, &c.	97 00	
A. R. Robertson ...	Prosecution and interpreters' expenses	26 50	
Various	do. do.	17 50	
Drake & Jackson ..	do. do.	524 22	
A. E. B. Davie	do. do.	456 50	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	2,547 47	69,117 91

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	2,547 47	69,117 91
	ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.— <i>Continued.</i>		
H. C. Courtney	Prosecution and Interpreters' expenses	106 50	
Sundry Interpreters	do. do.	20 00	
Coroner, Victoria.....	Inquests, &c.....	10 00	
Do. New Westr.....	Inquest Expenses	25 88	
Do. Victoria.....	do.	16 00	
Clerk of Bench, Vic.	Recovering body of drowned man	5 00	
Coroner, Cowichan.....	Inquest expenses	15 00	
Do. Victoria.....	do.	24 00	
Do. New Westr.....	do.	25 20	
E. Peck	Fitting up Court Room for Assizes, Yale	1 50	
E. Smith.....	Rent of Court Room for Assizes, Clinton	10 00	
Various.....	Advertising Assizes.....	49 00	
A. Lindsay.....	Rent of Court Room, Quesnel	5 00	
B. Bailey	do. Yale	10 00	
Various.....	Attendance, Deputy Sheriffs, &c.....	21 00	
High Sheriff.....	Expenses of execution.....	188 50	
			3,080 05
	24.—CHARITABLE ALLOWANCES.		
Treasurer, V. H.....	Aid to Victoria Hospital.....	2,240 00	
Do. R. C. H.....	do. New Westminster Hospital	2,000 00	
Surgeon, Car. Hos.....	do. Cariboo Hospital.....	1,999 98	
W. Armstrong.....	In aid of destitute poor and sick	30 00	
B.C. Benvlnt. Assen	do. do.	150 00	
Do. do.	do. do.	20 00	
			6,439 98
	25.—IMMIGRATION.		
Various.....	Expenses of publishing Prize Essay.....	1,474 26	
Do.	Sample Cereals, Statistics, Advertising, &c.....	252 00	
Agent, San Fran.....	Expenses, including Salary to 31st December	1,011 90	
			2,738 16
	26.—EDUCATION.		
Superintendent	Victoria Schools	4,049 00	
Do.	Esquimalt	858 08	
Do.	Craigflower	1,559 50	
Do.	Cedar Hill	1,742 50	
Do.	Lake	406 50	
Do.	Metchosin	776 25	
Do.	South Saanich	451 37	
Do.	Salt Spring Island	472 50	
Do.	Cowichan, North and South	1,056 25	
Do.	Sumass	439 50	
Do.	Nanaimo.....	725 00	
Do.	Burrard Inlet.....	440 00	
Do.	New Westminster.....	1,605 75	
Do.	Langley	484 34	
Do.	Yale	520 50	
Do.	Hope	478 50	
Do.	Sooke	966 12	
Do.	Chilliwack	175 00	
Do.	Clinton	269 75	
Do.	Barkerville.....	192 50	
Do.	Lytton	249 41	
Do.	Comox	256 62	
Do.	Salary, to 31st December	1,166 62	
Do.	School Books, office and travelling expenses, &c.....	1,996 21	
			21,337 77
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.		
W. Heathorn	Boots	69 00	
J. Cowper.....	do.	77 25	
G. Levy.....	Ferriage	51 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	197 25	102,713 87

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	197 25	102,713 87
	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
Hibben & Co.....	Stationery	18 00	
W. Selleck	Boat Hire	6 50	
G. Thompson.....	Bread	96 25	
C. Herbert.....	Services	25 25	
J. Smith	Waggon hire	10 00	
J. W. Williams.....	Horse hire	10 50	
Steamer "Otter".....	Passage	25 00	
W. Arthur	Rent	8 00	
J. McAuslan	Boat hire	7 00	
Telegraph Co.....	Telegrams	12 50	
C. C. L. & W.....	Tools for Convicts	28 50	
E. Marvin.....	Handcuffs	32 12	
Water Co.....	Water	25 00	
Janion, Rhodes & Co	Blankets.....	300 00	
E. B. Marvin	Oars	8 00	
Stafford & Hickin...	Supplies	101 76	
F. Ross	Services	50 00	
Promis & Saunders.	Supplies.....	55 40	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning.....	6 00	
G. Stelly	Wood	36 00	
Gas Co	Gas	26 85	
W. Wilson.....	Clothing.....	103 50	
R. Roberts	do.	31 00	
G. Thompson.....	Bread	100 23	
P. McQuade.....	Supplies.....	23 25	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For sundry persons	237 75	
D. Leneveu.....	Supplies.....	22 50	
H. Sampson.....	Police services	60 00	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For sundry persons	206 00	
F. Ross.....	Services	50 00	
A. Strong.....	Cleaning.....	6 00	
Promis & Saunders.	Supplies.....	160 17	
Stafford & Hickin...	do.	147 24	
Water Co.....	Water	31 00	
G. Stelly	Wood	18 00	
W. H. Fitzgerald ...	Holding inquest	9 70	
J. Bailey	Keep of horses for Constables	33 00	
J. Ward	do. do.	38 00	
T. Keogh	do. do.	10 37	
G. Hadican	do. do.	20 00	
Oppenheimer & Co..	do. do.	11 50	
M. L. Bright	do. do.	43 96	
G. Hadican	do. do.	17 50	
J. Bailey.....	do.	71 50	
G. Thompson	Bread	120 01	
Hudson Bay Co.....	Supplies	37 00	
E. Marvin.....	Handcuffs, &c.	11 68	
A. McLean & Co.....	Caps	18 50	
E. B. Marvin	Tent, &c.	10 00	
A. Leclaire.....	Milk	9 00	
J. Sehl	Stretchers, &c.	23 25	
Hudson Bay Co.....	Trousers, shirts, &c.	70 00	
Sproat & Co.....	Coals	37 00	
R. Torello.....	Fish, &c.	15 61	
C. Herbert	Services	16 50	
E. Marvin.....	Handcuffs	22 50	
J. S. Helmcken.....	Vaccine matter.....	5 00	
W. Arthur	Rent	16 00	
Indian.....	Canoe hire.....	3 50	
Do.	do.	2 00	
Do.	do.	10 50	
Stipen'y Magistrate	Various	837 88	
Do.	do.	470 19	
Do.	do.	464 86	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	4,739 03	102,713 87

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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.—Continued.		
Ah Moo.....	Supplies.....	21 00	
T. Keagh.....	Horse Shoes.....	28 00	
Mrs. G. F. Hicks.....	Supplies.....	4 00	
J. Starrens.....	Do.	12 00	
A. Lorenzo.....	Do.	2 50	
G. Hadican.....	Keep of Horses.....	15 00	
J. G. Milne.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	19 50	
M. Hayden.....	Hay for Horses.....	240 00	
J. Kurtz.....	Shoes do.	23 00	
Mrs. G. F. Hicks.....	Supplies.....	92 50	
J Bell.....	Summoning Jurors.....	5 00	
Ah Tong.....	Interpreting.....	5 00	
Dunlevy & Co.....	Room Hire.....	10 00	
E Bell.....	Passages.....	20 00	
O Hare.....	Holding Inquest.....	9 70	
A E B Davie.....	Prosecutions.....	90 93	
F Lallier.....	Supplies.....	9 00	
J Irving.....	Passages.....	12 00	
E Bell.....	Do.	10 00	
G Hardisty.....	Do.	7 50	
S Archer.....	Allowances.....	50 00	
Barnard's Express.....	Passages.....	167 00	
J McKay.....	Do.	10 00	
J Lindsay.....	Allowances.....	28 00	
G Green.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	33 00	
T Bell.....	Coroner's Expenses.....	19 40	
A Barlow.....	Burials.....	25 00	
T Lindhard.....	Supplies.....	26 00	
J Bowron.....	Allowance.....	5 00	
Hudson Bay Co.....	Supplies.....	21 00	
J O'Donnell.....	Horse Hire.....	21 00	
G Green.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	32 00	
J Lindsay.....	Allowances.....	24 50	
O Hare.....	Do.	32 50	
Hop Ling & Ah Ki.....	Attendance in Court.....	35 00	
Barnard's Express.....	Passages.....	605 00	
J T Barry.....	Wood.....	3 00	
A Barlow.....	Supplies.....	23 25	
G Byrnes.....	Do.	41 25	
J Lindsay.....	Allowances and Passage.....	15 50	
Steamer "Victoria".....	Passages.....	76 00	
G Green.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	70 00	
E Coffee.....	Allowance.....	2 50	
Do.	Keep of Prisoners.....	7 00	
Indian.....	Inquest Expenses.....	5 00	
A T Bushby.....	Holding Inquest.....	9 70	
Indian.....	Inquest Expenses.....	1 00	
R J Foster.....	Giving evidence.....	5 00	
Indian.....	Firewood.....	3 00	
Steamer Onward.....	Passages, &c.	24 00	
W Blackford.....	Shoeing horse.....	4 00	
E Coffee.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	52 50	
W Yeates.....	Services.....	3 00	
Indian.....	Reward.....	5 00	
G. Pope.....	Serving Summonses.....	1 00	
Oppenheimer Bros.....	Supplies.....	1 25	
Indian.....	Labor.....	1 00	
E. Coffee.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	7 50	
Telegraph Co.	Telegrams.....	7 00	
T H Forester.....	Taking charge of Prisoners.....	30 00	
W Evans.....	Allowance.....	2 50	
Do.	Travelling Expenses from Lillooet to Victoria.....	59 75	
Do.	Do. Do. Victoria to Yale.....	18 00	
Indian.....	Canoe Hire.....	1 50	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	6,990 26	102,713 87

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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
T Wilson	Gratuity	10 00	
Indian	Carrying Letter	2 00	
Do.	Canoe Hire	1 50	
Rev. D. Holmes	Firewood for Gaol	24 50	
E Tynon	Travelling Allowance	5 00	
B D'Allorso	Horse Hire	3 00	
Indiau	Interpreting	3 50	
Barnard & Co	Passage	25 00	
B T Mullen	Meals	2 50	
J Black	Meals, &c.	5 00	
P Arnaud	Do.	2 75	
J Campbell	Do.	1 00	
L Hautier	Do.	6 00	
A Ferguson	Do.	5 00	
J Miller	Do.	4 00	
W. Irving	Passages, &c.	21 00	
Barnard & Co	Do.	50 00	
A Coutlie	Meals	5 00	
E Smith	Do.	12 00	
J L S Hughes	Do.	8 00	
E Budwig	Watching	4 00	
B D'Allorso	Horse Hire	12 00	
Indian	Washing	4 00	
C Shubert	Board	8 00	
P Duffy	Services	35 00	
Do.	Horse hire	12 00	
Indian	Attendance	9 60	
J L S Hughes	Meals, &c.	1 50	
H Featherstone	Medicine, &c.	15 00	
Indian	Special Constable	54 00	
J L S Hughes	Meals, &c.	1 50	
E Smith	Do.	2 00	
Indian	Horse hire	15 00	
E Tynon	Travelling Allowances	35 00	
J Miller	Ferriage	2 00	
J L S Hughes	Horse feed	2 00	
E Smith	Do.	4 50	
Indian	Killing wolf	5 00	
Do.	Do.	5 00	
Steamer "Maude" ..	Passages	12 50	
W Stewart	Travelling Allowance	12 00	
Indian	Killing panther	10 00	
A G Keeler	Special Constable	7 50	
J H Scott	Meals for prisoners	2 00	
W Clarke	Special Constable	5 00	
J Webb	Bed and Meals	4 50	
J Harper	Special Constable	45 00	
J Brown	Do.	45 00	
J Martin	Killing panthers	10 00	
Indian	Do.	10 00	
Do.	Do.	10 00	
Do.	Do. and wolf	35 00	
P Moore	Do.	10 00	
C Farr	Killing wolf	5 00	
S Cliffe	Do. panther	10 00	
Steamer "Maude" ..	Passages of Prisoners	15 50	
J H Scott	Meals for do.	3 00	
W Stewart	Travelling Allowances	4 75	
J Brown	Special Constable	7 50	
W Clarke	Passages	16 00	
O W Booth	Meals for Prisoners	2 00	
Harvey & Dunsmuir	Supplies for Prisoners	37 38	
J Webb	Do. do.	23 25	
J Hirst	Do. do.	7 75	
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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.—Continued.		
Indian.....	Killing a Wolf	5 00	
M Elliott.....	Interpreting.....	2 00	
A McKelvey.....	Killing a Panther.....	10 00	
S J Cliffe	Do.	10 00	
W Ross	Do.	10 00	
J Webb	Keep of Prisoners	21 00	
J Hirst	Do.	9 50	
Harvey & Dunsmuir	Supplies for Gaol.....	7 00	
W M Jones.....	Post mortem examination, and attendance.....	25 00	
W H Fitzgerald.....	Holding Inquest.....	9 70	
C Demuire	Interpreting	10 00	
Indian.....	For Indians' Services	60 00	
Cunningham & Han-			
kin	Supplies.....	58 88	
R McDonald	Special Constable	65 00	
W Mares	Digging Graves	12 00	
A S Robertson	Making Coffins	50 00	
J Crow	Keep of Prisoners	24 00	
N Lebarge	Horse Hire	15 00	
W Martin	Packing	45 00	
Indian.....	Do.	45 00	
J Smith	Interpreting.....	10 00	
F Page	Travelling Allowance.....	3 50	
W H Fitzgerald.....	Do.	15 00	
C T Seymour.....	Special Constable	95 00	
Do.	Keep of Prisoners	20 00	
W H Fitzgerald.....	Holding Inquest	9 70	
F Page	Keep of Prisoners	36 00	
W H Fitzgerald.....	Travelling Allowance.....	70 00	
P Buckley	Freight on Constable's Blankets.....	3 00	
P McEntee	Removing Irons	2 50	
C T Seymour.....	Special Constable	120 00	
Do.	Supplies.....	7 00	
S Bue	Passages	150 00	
W Martin	Packing	16 00	
W Tappage	Do.	16 00	
C T Seymour.....	Keep of Prisoners.....	60 00	
F Page	Do.	52 00	
W Martin	Special Messenger	50 00	
J M Bohannon	Padlock	2 00	
Clerk of Bench	For various Persons	283 00	
J Cowper	Repairing Boots.....	37 25	
J Stewart	Do. Pipes	6 75	
G Thompson	Bread	140 06	
Stafford & Hicken ..	Meat and Vegetables.....	169 86	
Steamer Enterprise ..	Passages, &c.....	25 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Supplies.....	317 00	
J Feillet.....	Making a Key	4 00	
F Ross	Services	50 00	
A Strong	Cleaning.....	6 00	
Promis & Saunders..	Supplies.....	116 64	
T N Hibben & Co ..	Stationery	9 12	
G Stelly	Wood	18 00	
Water Co.	Water.....	25 00	
Clerk of Bench	For various Persons	565 50	
C C. L. & W.....	Tools for Convicts.....	18 00	
F Ross.....	Services	50 00	
Promis & Saunders..	Supplies.....	164 71	
C Levi.....	Ferriage.....	12 00	
Stafford & Hicken...	Meat and Vegetables.....	160 59	
G Thompson	Bread	146 20	
Water Co.	Water.....	25 00	
A Strong	Cleaning.....	6 00	
Do.	Do.	75 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	11,416 60	102,713 87

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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.—Continued.		
D Lytton.....	Travelling Expenses conveying Constable and Prisoner...	8 00	
R A Brown	Travelling Allowances on duty	5 00	
Do.	Keep of a Prisoner.....	1 50	
M Feak.	Travelling Expenses conveying Constable and Prisoner ...	8 00	
M Cameron	Repairing Tools	111 75	
Gas Co.	Gas	93 75	
W G Bowman	Carriage Hire	5 00	
Lowe, Stahlschmidt & Co.	Boots	132 00	
Steamer Onward ...	Passages, &c....	83 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Do.	134 50	
E. B. Marvin	Altering Tent	5 00	
Hudson Bay Co.	Supplies for Gaol.....	165 85	
Clerk of Bench	For various Persons	334 00	
C T Seymour.....	Expenses bringing down a Prisoner.....	63 25	
Stafford & Hickin...	Meat and Vegetables.....	118 11	
C T Seymour.....	Services as Special Constable	225 00	
H Saunders ...	Supplies	122 51	
H Short	Ammunition, &c	9 75	
W Denny	Clothing.....	7 00	
Sproat & Co.	Coal	37 00	
Gas Co.	Gas	43 65	
J Spelde.....	Interring a Pauper.....	5 00	
Hudson Bay Co.....	Blankets, Shirts, &c.....	22 00	
Do.	Passages, &c., of Prisoners and others.....	100 00	
Do.	Do. Lunatics and Constables.....	63 50	
T Shotbolt.....	Medicine, &c., supplied to indigent cripple.....	38 00	
T N Hibben & Co ...	Stationery, &c	8 74	
A Strong	Cleaning, &c.....	16 00	
E Harrison.....	Lights, Glass, and setting	9 37	
Do.	Painting Notice Signs.....	12 00	
Water Co.	Water.....	25 00	
G Huston	Caps (pistol).....	2 50	
J Doran	Firewood for Esquimalt Office.....	6 00	
J. McAuslan	Ferriage of Constables	2 25	
W. Arthur	Rent of Esquimalt Office.....	8 00	
J Morley.....	Investigating Burglary case	10 00	
Barnard & Co	Fare of Constable Seymour and Prisoner from Soda Creek	110 00	
W Bowden	Reward re Burns & Edwards.....	250 00	
Clerk of Bench, Vic.	Services of Door Guards.....	154 50	
Do.	Do. Special Constables	17 50	
Do.	Supplies for Gaol.....	119 15	
Do.	Destruction of Panthers.....	50 00	
Do.	Transport of Constables on duty.....	10 00	
Do.	Expenses of Inquest on Fire at Government House	10 00	
Stafford & Hickin ..	Meat for Gaol	104 99	
C B Brown.....	Keep of Witness.....	15 00	
W & J Wilson	Clothing for Prisoners	270 00	
H Saunders	Groceries for Gaol.....	81 54	
N Torillo	Fish, &c., supplied for Prisoners.....	19 00	
T J Burnes.....	Keep of Witness, re P. Ryan.....	22 50	
W G Bowman.....	Buggy hire.....	5 00	
E Marvin	Handcuffs, &c.	59 12	
Lowe, Stahlschmidt & Co.	Boots for Prisoners.....	66 00	
W Heathorn	Do. Police.....	135 00	
C Sutherland.....	Services as Special Constable.....	44 15	
Victoria Gas Co. ...	Gas for Gaol.....	51 45	
R Lewis	Funeral Expenses of Mrs. Webster.....	10 00	
J Dickson	Repairs to Stove in Gaol, &c.....	10 25	
Do.	Cooking Utensils for do.	23 38	
G Thompson	Bread for Gaol.....	106 38	
Long & Co.	Advertising Petty Sessions	10 00	
J McLarty	Services as Special Constable.....	45 62	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	15,259 11	102,713 87

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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
A Leclaire	Milk for Gaol	6 40	
Clerk of Bench, Vic.	Removing Indian, (Lucy).....	2 50	
Do.	Taking charge of Lunatics.....	19 35	
Do.	Indian Services	10 00	
Do.	Medical Examination of sick Chinaman	5 00	
Do.	Services of Cook at Gaol	53 22	
Do.	Do. Door Guards	90 00	
Do.	Do. Special Constables	90 00	
Do.	Transport of Constables on duty	25 50	
W Arthur	Rent of Esquimalt Office	24 00	
Sproat & Co.	Coal, Victoria and Esquimalt	49 00	
Supt. of Police	Travelling Expenses	137 50	
Do.	Charcoal for Gaol	2 00	
Clerk of Bench	Destruction of Panthers.....	50 00	
Do.	Postage Stamps for Police Court	3 50	
W & J Wilson	Clothes for Prisoners	22 00	
H Saunders	Groceries for Gaol.....	15 00	
Do.	Do.	83 69	
Stafford & Hickin...	Meat and Vegetables for Gaol.....	89 27	
J Dickson	Stove, Cooking Utensils, &c	48 88	
A Strong	Removing rubbish, &c., from Gaol	32 00	
Victoria Gas Co. ...	Gas supplied to Gaol	43 05	
T. Price	Repairing Coat for Constable	5 00	
J Cowper	Do. Boots for Constables.....	22 50	
G Stelly	Cordwood	18 00	
Do.	Do.	18 00	
G Thompson	Bread for Gaol	93 89	
Water Co.	Water do.	25 00	
Do.	Do.	25 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Blankets and Clothing ..	159 50	
W P Sayward	Lumber for Gaol	3 12	
Hibben & Co.....	Books and Stationery	45 50	
A & W Wilson	Tinsmith's work, Repairs, &c., to Gaol	29 64	
Sproat & Co.	Coal for Gaol and Esquimalt	49 00	
J L Jungerman	Repairing Clock for Police Court.....	2 00	
W B Charters	Sharpening Tools for Convicts	6 20	
J Chevers	Boat hire for Constables on duty.....	2 75	
Langley & Co.	Medicines, Disinfectants, &c.	28 61	
Do.	Water Filter, &c.....	19 12	
J W Williams	Horse hire for Constables on duty	28 00	
G. Stelly	Cordwood for Gaol	36 00	
A J Jackson	Special Constable	60 00	
H L Jenner.....	Do.	6 00	
T R Despard	Do.	8 00	
J Morey	Night Watchman	10 00	
H L Jenner.....	Special Constable	5 00	
J Cunningham	Groceries, Clothing, &c.	184 60	
W Harvey	Bread	86 22	
R Dickinson	Meat and Vegetables	93 32	
H Elliott.....	Teaming Cordwood	42 00	
J A Webster	Tobacco	10 00	
R W Deane	Glazier's work	8 75	
A Peele	Medicines, &c.	10 25	
Moody & Co.	Lumber for repairs	4 24	
A Ewen	Fish supplied	5 73	
E Brown	Medical comforts	3 50	
Steamer Enterprise	Passages of Prisoners and Constables.....	46 50	
Skakhalta	Killing a wolf	2 50	
F G Claudet, S. M....	Distant duty allowance	5 00	
K Morrison.....	Killing two panthers	20 00	
J McGilvray	Allowance on leaving Gaol	5 00	
A J Jackson	Special Constable, 31 days	62 00	
T R Despard	Do. do.	62 00	
W A Handcock.....	Do. 29 days	58 00	
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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.— <i>Continued.</i>		
H L Jenner	Special Constable, 13 days	26 00	
J Morey	Night Watchman, October.....	10 00	
T J Burnes.....	Board for Special Constables	13 50	
E H Boys	Special Constable (Shepley & Brown).....	2 00	
Hatlak.....	Services as Boatman.....	2 50	
G Fernandez	Ammunition, &c.....	2 50	
T R Despard	Special Constable, 5 days	10 00	
H L Jenner.....	Do. 4 days	8 00	
Jemie	Allowance on leaving Gaol	5 00	
J B Hurst	Do. do.	5 00	
J Cunningham	Groceries, Clothing, &c., October	225 93	
R Dickinson	Meat and Vegetables.....	145 16	
W Harvey	Bread	135 27	
J A Webster	Tobacco	17 00	
A Ewen	Fish	12 04	
Moody & Co.	Lumber, for repairs.....	5 90	
E Brown.....	Medical Comforts.....	3 50	
W Blackie	Repairs to Gaol Pump, &c.....	5 00	
A Peele	Medicines supplied	30 00	
G Dingman	Boat hire for Constables on duty.....	5 50	
S Handy	Repairing Police Boat, Burrard Inlet	34 00	
J Wise.....	Interpreting in Court of Enquiry.....	2 50	
J Morey	Night Watchman, November.....	10 00	
J C Brown	Advertising Boat found	4 00	
W Handcock	Special Constable, 30 days	60 00	
A J Jackson	Do. 5 days	10 00	
J Burr.....	Do. 4 days	8 00	
J Cunningham	Clothing, Groceries, &c., November.....	158 80	
R Dickinson	Meat, Vegetables, &c.....	115 80	
W Harvey	Bread	109 17	
W Blackie	Repairs to Pump.....	3 75	
A Ewen	Fish and Venison.....	16 47	
S W Herring	Milk, for sick Prisoners	2 81	
E Brown.....	Medical Comforts.....	7 50	
J A Webster	Tobacco	12 00	
H Elliott.....	Teaming Cordwood.....	35 00	
R W Deane	Mattress, &c	3 25	
A Peele	Medicines.....	36 25	
T Collins	Allowance to released Prisoner	5 00	
T Forster	In charge of Prisoners between Yale & New Westminster	30 00	
C T Seymour.....	Special Constable in charge of Lunatic.....	27 00	
G Hardisty.....	Passage of do.	12 50	
T O'Brien	Allowance to released Prisoner	5 00	
W Brunridge	Killing a Panther.....	10 00	
J K Suter	Advertising Boat found, Tenders, &c	14 00	
J Morey	Night Watchman, December	10 00	
W A Handcock	Special Constable, 20 days	40 00	
H L Jenner	Do. 17 days	34 00	
Watlakin	Canoe hire.....	1 00	
G Dingman	Carriage of Papers, &c., Burrard Inlet	1 00	
J Cunningham	Groceries, Clothing, &c	156 25	
R Dickinson	Meat and Vegetables	112 46	
W Harvey	Bread	101 61	
A Ewen	Venison and Fish.....	14 52	
W Blackie	Crowbar, Leg-irons, &c	15 75	
H Elliott.....	Teaming Cordwood.....	49 00	
E Brown.....	Medical Comforts.....	7 50	
S W Herring	Milk, for sick prisoners.....	3 00	
J A Webster	Tobacco	12 00	
A Peele	Medicines.....	22 00	
J Cunningham	Butter, &c., for sick prisoners	2 75	
J Watson	Stove	8 00	
J C Brown	Advertising Tenders, &c.....	9 00	
M L Bright.....	Cordwood for Gaol	80 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	19,658 85	102,713 87

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	<i>27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.—Continued.</i>		
Jim	Witness in Police Court.....	3 00	
Sing Yeo	Interpreting do.	2 50	
Constable Lindsay ..	Travelling expenses on duty.....	6 50	
L Wintrip	Irons for Prisoners.....	7 50	
G Green	Maintenance of Prisoners.....	66 00	
Fook Chong	Firewood, &c., for Gaol.....	14 00	
G A Veith	Horse hire for Constable on duty.....	21 00	
A Barlow	Hire of Horse and Cutter do.	35 00	
Constable Muir	Distant duty Allowance	17 50	
Do.	Maintenance of Prisoner.....	9 00	
H S Bates	Horse Feed and Stabling	4 25	
H M Bohanan	Do. do.	4 00	
G Green	Maintenance of Prisoners.....	80 00	
Constable Archer ...	Distant Duty, 1 day.....	2 50	
Ah Loy	Interpreting, 1 day in Police Court	2 50	
R McLeese	Horse Feed, and Witnesses' Expenses.....	26 25	
Constable Lindsay ..	Fare to and from Van Winkle.....	3 00	
Archer ...	Bringing Prisoner from Lightning Creek	2 50	
T B Lindhart.....	1 pair Blankets.....	10 00	
G Green	Maintenance of Prisoners.....	134 00	
F Lallier.....	Buck-saw, &c., for Gaol.....	5 50	
Hudson's Bay Co.....	Axe handles, &c., do.	13 50	
Constable Evans ...	1 day at Trafalgar Bar	2 50	
E Coffee	Maintenance of Prisoners.....	17 00	
W McWha	Horse Feed and Stabling	8 00	
Constable Evans ...	1 day at Trafalgar Bar	2 50	
Schlatska	Canoe hire to and from do.	1 50	
Charlie	Bringing Government horse to Lytton	1 00	
E Coffee	Maintenance of prisoners	1 50	
J D Lowring	Interpreting in Police Court, Lytton	5 00	
L Reni	Do. do. Kamloops	15 00	
T Carn	Special Constable, arresting and conveying prisoner to Kamloops	72 00	
J Robinson	Repairing handcuffs	5 75	
W McWha	Horse feed (Constable's)	2 00	
H Blackford.....	Shoeing Government Horse	4 00	
A Menento	Share of fine	16 50	
Constable Boyd.....	4 days from Lytton to Kamloops	10 00	
McIntosh & Co.....	Keep of Constable's horse	3 00	
J Uren.....	Do. do.	1 50	
J Campbell.....	Do. do.	1 50	
J Black	Do. do.	1 50	
W Evans.....	Maintenance of prisoner.....	18 50	
Oppenheimer & Co..	Cooking utensils, &c., for Gaol	15 25	
Jackson	Interpreting in Police Court	1 00	
E Tynon	Distant duty, investigating murder of Chinaman, Log Ck.	100 00	
T Pool	Horse hire, do. do. do.	33 00	
J Miller.....	Ferriage for E. Tynon, do. do. do.	2 00	
H O Bowe	Horse feed, &c. do. do. do.	11 10	
B G Coney.....	Horse hire, do. do. do.	12 00	
Chilcotin Frank	Guide and interpreter, do. do. do.	6 50	
A Twentyman	Horse feed, do. do. do.	2 50	
R P Ritchie	Do. do. do. do.	2 00	
Smith & Spelman ...	Do. do. do. do.	6 00	
J L S Hughes	Do. do. do. do.	3 00	
W M Brown	Witness in Police Court.....	8 50	
A B Ferguson	Stove pipe for Gaol.....	5 00	
J Chenall	Maintenance of prisoner.....	2 00	
F W Foster	Blankets, Cooking Utensils, &c., for Gaol.....	52 25	
E Parsley	Cordwood for Gaol	22 50	
T Spellman	Maintenance of prisoner.....	14 00	
J Sabiston	Interpreting in Police Court	5 00	
W Clarke	Special Constable and passage of prisoners to Victoria....	9 00	
A J Tranfield.....	Killing 1 wolf	5 00	
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	27.—POLICE AND GAOLS.—Continued.		
W R Spalding	Holding Inquest.....	9 70	
Lucia	Killing 1 Wolf	5 00	
Harry	Do. do.	5 00	
A McKelvey	Do. 2 Panthers.....	20 00	
W R Spalding	Holding Inquest	9 70	
Jim	Killing 1 Panther.....	10 00	
Jerome & Pawson.....	Keep of Constable and Prisoner from Victoria	2 50	
Susarp.....	Killing 1 Panther.....	10 00	
Shoote.....	Do. 1 Wolf	5 00	
Jim	Do. do.	5 00	
A McKilvey	Do. do.	5 00	
J Brown	Special Constable during Assizes.....	5 00	
A Fenney	Inquest and Funeral Expenses, J. Stoddard	55 00	
W McN Jones.....	Post mortem Examination Do.	20 00	
J Webb	Maintenance of Prisoner.....	16 87	
A Barlow	Provisions for Indian Courier	19 05	
Constable Fitzstubs	Travelling to and from Stuart's Lake	17 50	
	28 —RENT.		20,857 02
Sir J Douglas, K C B	Government House, Victoria.....	24 25	
E Tynon and others	Do. Lillooet	60 00	
Vancouver Coal Co.	Boat House, Nanaimo	18 00	
J Rodello	Gaol, Comox.....	35 00	
Ah Loy and another	Omineca.....	120 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Do. (Fort St. James).....	20 00	
J Bowron	Post Office, Richfield, to 19th July, 1871	685 00	
	29.—TRANSPORT.		962 25
	Lieutenant-Governor :—		
Hudson's Bay Co....	Tents, &c.....	72 50	
G Booth	Travelling Expenses	14 00	
W Goldsworthy.....	Do.	1 50	
J J Russel	Carriage Hire	7 50	
D Freeman	Cartage	8 00	
G Ethrige	Do.	7 50	
Lowe & Co.	Blankets.....	48 00	
Telegraph Co.	Telegrams	15 00	
D Freeman	Drayage	2 00	
Private Secretary ..	For various Persons	400 25	
J Dickson	Pans	6 50	
T Inge.....	Drayage	2 00	
E Peck	Repairing Tent.....	2 50	
R W Savage	Drayage	4 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Passages	12 00	
Telegraph Co.	Telegrams	3 75	
R W Savage	Cartage	5 75	
Barnard & Co.	Stage Hire.....	262 50	
J W Williams	Carriage hire.....	15 00	
G Francis.....	Do.	5 00	
			895 25
Barnard's Express ..	Freight on remittance of treasure	5 25	
Do.	Do. do.	3 00	
Do.	Do. do.	12 75	
Do.	Do. do.	18 25	
Do.	Do. do.	12 50	
Do.	Do. do.	3 75	
Bank of B C	Exchange on Draft	10 00	
			65 50
	Actual Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty :—		
J J Young	Travelling Allowance	60 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Passage of an Officer.....	10 00	
T Currie.....	Travelling Allowances	150 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	220 00	125,493 89

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	29.—TRANSPORT.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	Actual Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty :—		
R A Brown	Travelling Allowances	77 50	
Steamer Otter	Constable's Passage	25 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Toll Collector's Passage.....	5 00	
Pearson Bros.	Do. do.	25 00	
Steamer Onward ...	Do. do.	5 00	
D J Williams.....	Packing for Stipendiary Magistrate..	4 00	
Indian.....	Do. do.	14 00	
Do.	Do. do.	15 00	
T Mc Lardy	Do. do.	2 50	
J Cain.....	Freight on Baggage.....	45 00	
Indian.....	Packing do.	45 00	
W H Fitzgerald	Travelling Allowance.....	79 00	
Do.	Do. do.	5 00	
Do.	Do. do.	108 50	
Do.	Do. do.	15 00	
F Page	Do. do.	35 00	
D L Ballantyne.....	Do. do.	10 50	
G Pope	Do. Expenses	16 50	
P O'Reilly	For Canoe	80 00	
Telegraph Co.	Telegrams	2 00	
Stipen'y Magistrate	For various	15 50	
Gold Commissioner	Do.	1,026 60	
W P Barry.....	Hay for Horse of J. P.....	10 00	
S A Rogers	Horse Hire.....	21 00	
H M Ball.....	Allowances	35 00	
J Maury	Hay and Stabling.....	6 00	
H M Ball.....	Travelling Allowance.....	40 00	
Barnard's Express ..	Passage	12 00	
J McKay	Do.	10 00	
H M Ball.....	Travelling Allowance	20 00	
D H Ross.....	Horse Feed, &c.....	2 00	
J Boyd	Do.	2 50	
J W Lindhard.....	Do.	3 00	
Brown & Gillis	Do.	2 00	
G Byrnes	Horse Hire.....	25 00	
Indian	Canoe Hire.....	2 50	
W C Berkeley	Allowance	5 00	
E H Sanders	Do.	5 00	
Indian	Horse Hire.....	3 00	
F J Barnard & Co..	Passages, &c.....	29 50	
C E Pope	Travelling Allowance.....	16 00	
A Barlow	Freight on Baggage.....	99 00	
W Clarke	Passages	6 50	
F J Barnard & Co..	Do.	45 00	
W Irving.....	Do.	5 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Do.	5 00	
Steamer Maude.....	Do.	4 00	
F Trevor.....	Travelling Allowance	21 00	
W R Spalding	Do. do.	65 00	
Steamer Maude.....	Passage of Magistrate to and from Comox.....	6 50	
W R Spalding	Travelling Allowance	50 00	
Auguste	Horse Hire for Gold Commissioner	5 00	
E Kamet.....	Do. do.	5 00	
B Ricoud	Packing do.	2 00	
S Bue	Do. do.	52 75	
R A Brown.....	Travelling Allowance.....	45 00	
W C Berkeley	Do. do.	10 00	
Steamer Enterprise..	Passage of W C Berkeley.....	8 75	
Steamer Onward.....	Do. do.	5 00	
H Holbrook	Attending Executive Council	360 00	
Indian Jim.....	Porterage	1 25	
W G Bowden.....	Horse Hire	2 50	
J T Dunlop	Sleigh Hire	5 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	2,920 35	125,493 89

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	29.—TRANSPORT.—Continued.		
	Actual Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty :		
P H Clarke.....	Attending Petty Sessions.....	10 00	
J A Raymur	Do. do.	10 00	
A Vowell	Distant duty Allowance ..	20 00	
E Do.	Distant duty Allowance ..	10 00	
Do.	Do. do.	10 00	
W Holmes	Horse Feed	3 00	
B P Griffin	Travelling Allowance	15 00	
G Hardisty.....	Fare of B. P. Griffin from Victoria to New Westminster	5 00	
J Irving	Do. do. New Westminster to Yale.....	7 00	
G Hardisty.....	Return fare to and from New Westminster and Victoria	10 00	
W B Gladwin	Do. do. Yale and New Westminster	12 00	
W R Spalding	Magistrate's Allowance, 9 days at Comox	45 00	
W Clarke	Passage of Magistrate to and from Comox.....	6 50	
Do.	Do. do. do.	6 50	
W R Spalding	Allowances, 2 days at Comox'	10 00	
W Clarke	Passage of Magistrate to and from Comox.....	6 50	
			3,106 85
	Keep of Government Horses :—		
W C Bryant	Shoeing	7 50	
D Leneveu	Hay, &c	47 73	
Do.	Do.	52 48	
Do.	Do.	31 97	
W Newbury	Bridle, Stirrups, &c.....	15 00	
W C Bryant	Shoeing Horse	12 50	
J Baily	Ranching Government Horses.....	82 75	
H P Maus	Do. do.	5 00	
			254 93
	30.—WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
	Completion of Gaol at Nanaimo, and purchase of Land :—		
C. C. L. & W.....	For Labour &c		20 36
	Construction of Court House, New Westminster :—		
M. Munro	On account of Contract	2,186 66	
C. C. L. & W.....	Advertising, &c	13 50	
	Graving Dock :—		
C. C. L. & W.....	Labour and Supplies, including Salary of Chief Engineer, Advertising, &c		2,200 16
			3,654 95
	31.—Government House, Victoria.		
C. C. L. & W.....	Repairs.....		618 12
E Grancini.....	Furniture	12 50	
T Storey.....	Repairing Blinds	57 37	
O E Bunting.....	Labour	65 55	
J S Drummond	Furniture	218 28	
Fellows & Roscoe...	Do.	11 80	
J Weiler	Do.	30 17	
J W Trutch	Do.	459 75	
Victoria House	Do.	13 75	
Hudson Bay Co.....	Do.	20 28	
T L Fawcett & Co...	Do.	56 00	
Fell & Co	Do.	21 75	
T Wilson	Do.	36 62	
Burns & Edwards...	Do.	49 75	
			1,053 57
S. R. Water Co.....	Water supplied.....		148 49
Fell & Co	Coal Oil, &c.....	66 25	
Brodrick & Co.....	Coal	291 50	
Fell & Co	Coal Oil, &c.....	17 50	
Collector of Customs	Duty	75	
Helbing & Shoen	Lamp Chimneys	5 75	
Langley & Co	Coal Oil, &c.....	80 49	
Brodrick & Co.....	Freight on Lamp Glasses	1 25	
			463 49
	<i>Carried forward</i>		137,014 81

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	31.— <i>Government House, Victoria.—Continued.</i>		
Mitchell & Johnston	Plants.....	58 25	
Jay & Co.....	Do.....	63 12	
C. C. L. & W.....	Labour and Supplies.....	48 12	
Do.....	Sundries.....	48 88	
Do.....	Salary of Gardener, and assistance.....		218 37
Do.....	For advertising, Fencing.....	2 50	346 00
Do.....	Elford's Agreement.....	280 00	
	32.— <i>Government House, New Westminster.</i>		282 50
Do.....	Repairs.....		149 88
Holbrook & Co.....	Coal.....	23 25	
C. C. L. & W.....	Supplies.....	10 50	
Do.....	Cordwood.....	21 00	
			54 75
W London.....	Gardener's Salary.....		298 26
C. C. L. & W.....	Incidentals.....	58 50	
Burns & Edwards...	Do.....	37 37	
Mitchell & Johnston	Garden Shears.....	2 50	
	33.— <i>Repairs to Public Buildings, Provincial.</i>		98 37
C. C. L. & W.....	Government Buildings, Victoria.....	2,329 35	
Do.....	Do. do. New Westminster.....	490 95	
Do.....	Do. do. Yale.....	321 50	
Do.....	Do. do. Lillooet and Clinton.....	507 75	
Do.....	Do. do. Cariboo.....	1,133 38	
Do.....	Do. do. Kootenay.....	nil.	
Do.....	Do. do. Omineca.....	nil.	
Do.....	Miscellaneous Surveys throughout the Province.....	2,966 56	
	34.— <i>Repairs to Roads and Trails throughout the Province.</i>		7,749 49
Do.....	Yale and Clinton Road.....	13,602 44	
Do.....	Clinton and Cameronton Road.....	16,376 81	
Do.....	Douglas and Clinton Road.....	631 94	
Do.....	Burrard Inlet Road.....	82 75	
Do.....	New Westminster and Yale Sleigh Road, including Bridge over Coquahalla River.....	4,571 84	
Do.....	Hope and Kootenay Trail.....	2,666 39	
Do.....	Lillooet and Lytton Trail.....	1,429 45	
Do.....	New Westminster Roads and Trails, including False Creek, Coquitlam Creek, and Sumass Bridges.....	5,473 07	
Do.....	Trails, Cariboo District.....	2,337 66	
Do.....	Trail, Quesnel to Germansen Creek, by Nation River.....	5,224 65	
Do.....	Do. from the Western Coast to intersect same.....	2,441 59	
Do.....	Roads and Trails, Yale and Lytton District, including Bridge across Nicola River.....	4 33	
Do.....	Repairs to Road from Cache Creek to Savona's Ferry.....	1,780 80	
Do.....	Road from Savona's Ferry to Okanagan.....	13,284 60	
Do.....	Esquimalt Road.....	1,566 64	
Do.....	Do. New Bridges.....	7,367 70	
Do.....	Victoria District Roads.....	11,244 74	
Do.....	Esquimalt District Roads and Trails, including Bridge across Sooke River.....	6,784 02	
Do.....	Cowichan District Roads and Trails.....	8,175 59	
Do.....	Nanaimo District Roads and Bridges.....	7,232 53	
Do.....	Comox Roads and Trails.....	4,200 24	
Do.....	Alberni to Nanaimo Trail, and from this point to Nanoose.....	2,333 38	
Do.....	Construction of Trail through Eagle Pass.....	nil.	
Do.....	Omineca District Trails.....	670 55	
Do.....	Alexandra Bridge.....	5,214 40	
			124,698 11
	<i>Carried forward</i>		270,910 54

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	<i>Brought forward</i>		270,910 54
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.		
Agricultural Society	Grant in aid of Provincial Exhibitions		500 00
C. C. L. & W.....	Insurance on all Government Buildings		895 00
Telegraph Company	Telegrams		320 25
C. C. L. & W.....	Taking charge of Govt. Buildings, Douglas and Langley		86 00
	Printing General Map of Province in England		nil.
Postmasters	Postage		799 52
	Tools and Implements for Road making.....		nil.
	Fire Departments throughout the Province		nil.
	Road Tax Commission.—		
J Morley.....	Commission	76 35	
W Stewart	Do.	86 12	
W C Siffken	Do.	329 88	
Do.	Horse Hire, &c.	15 00	
			507 35
C. C. L. & W.....	Mechanics and Literary Institutes		nil.
	Water Survey, including Stationery, Printing, &c.		4,948 26
	Miscellaneous Services not detailed :—		
J J Young	Portage, &c.	3 62	
R T Williams.....	Binding Books	4 00	
D W Higgins	Advertising	25 00	
T Theobald	Engrossing	7 50	
Turner & Co.....	Carpet and Cloths	97 25	
"Standard"	Advertising	25 00	
D W Higgins	Do.	24 00	
R T Williams.....	Ruling Books for Land Registry Office	25 00	
"Guardian"	Advertising	11 00	
"Standard"	Do.	28 50	
T N Hibben & Co....	Books, &c., for Justices of the Peace	23 50	
R T Williams.....	Ruling and Binding Books for Land Registry Office	203 00	
"Guardian"	Advertising	5 00	
W A Franklin	Carriage of Land Registry Books.....	50	
T H Long	Advertising	6 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Paper for various services	165 00	
T H Long	Advertising	45 50	
E B Marvin	Union Jack for Government House	18 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	Miscellaneous Advertisements	42 50	
Do.	Services of T. Westgarth	125 00	
Do.	Bailiff on Niass Property	100 00	
R Hollaway	Advertising laying over Claims	8 00	
Johnny	Clearing Roof of Office	50	
Do.	Do. Government House	1 00	
J Miller.....	Horse hire, collecting Statistics	12 00	
T L S Hughes	Horse feed do.	3 00	
E Tynon	Travelling allowances, do.	15 00	
C E Pope	Do. do.	10 00	
			1,034 37
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c. :—		
H Lyne	Subscription to "Colonist"	6 50	
G Fox	Key	75	
J Sehl	Washstand, &c.	11 50	
B Wakefield	Cleaning Offices	10 00	
C E Bunting	Repairing Shelves	3 00	
Do.	Covering Tables, &c.	20 00	
J Orowther.....	Painting and Glazing	4 00	
Mrs. Deasy.....	Washing Towels	8 25	
Burnes & Edwards..	Tumblers	6 75	
C. C. L. & W.....	For sundry persons	12 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Paper, &c.	12 50	
Barnard & Co.	Express charges	1 50	
P McQuade	Flag, &c.	19 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Type, Ink, and Paper	277 25	
Water Company	Water	10 50	
G Hemmingway	Copying	4 25	
J Sehl	Washstand and Basin	7 50	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	415 25	280,001 20

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	415 25	280,001 29
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.		
R Sylvester	Express Charges	12 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Paper, &c.	79 24	
C. C. L. & W.....	For do.....	95 99	
T Wilson & Co.....	Supplies	2 50	
G Fox	Do. to Printing Office.....	10 37	
R T Williams.....	Binding Gazettes.....	5 50	
Do.	Ruling Forms	24 00	
S. Magistrate, N.W.	For various	8 76	
Ah Moo.....	Cleaning Office, Kootenay (9 months).....	90 00	
F Lallier.....	Stationery	8 00	
Barnard's Express ..	Freight	11 50	
E H Kimball	Carrying letters	50 25	
Ah Foo	Cleaning Offices, Cariboo, and cutting wood, 3 months	60 00	
Oppenheimer & Co..	Ink, &c.	14 75	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Coal Oil, &c.....	39 25	
E H Kimball	Conveying letters.....	3 00	
E Tie & Co.	Coal Oil, &c.....	8 00	
Fook Chong	Wood	20 00	
G Byrnes	Eyelets	1 50	
Barnard's Express ..	Freight	2 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Stationery	4 50	
Indian.....	Cleaning Office, Yale	1 50	
T Ellis.....	Carriage of Accounts	5 00	
Indian.....	Conveying a notice	1 50	
E Peck	Book Press	38 00	
T R Buie	Envelopes	1 00	
Oppenheimer Bros...	A Broom	1 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Twine and Candles	2 25	
F J Barnard & Co....	Freight on Packages	4 25	
T R Buie	Candles	2 50	
Rev. D Holmes	Wood	24 00	
F W Foster	Envelopes, &c.	3 00	
Indian.....	Cleaning Office, Lillooet, (5 months)	28 40	
B D'Allorso	Gunpowder, &c.	6 75	
Do.	Envelopes, &c.	2 50	
D S Milligan	Duster.....	3 50	
E A Wadhams & Co	Candles	2 50	
Barnard's Express ..	Freight on Stationery	7 00	
F W Foster	A Saw.....	7 00	
A E Keeler.....	Removing Safe	12 50	
A Graham	Ink	2 00	
Girod & Guichon ...	Candles	3 75	
J H Turk	Freight on Government Stores to Omineca.....	103 00	
J Herb	Wood	18 00	
G Hemmingway	Copying	9 25	
C E Redfern	A Clock	5 00	
T S Bone	Turning Roller Stock	1 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	Mounting Map	4 00	
Do.	Subscription to papers	6 75	
H Lyne	Do. do.	6 50	
D Henshaw	2 Maps of North America	5 00	
Water Company	Water	7 25	
E Harrison, Jr.	Copying	6 12	
Fell & Finlayson....	Matches	1 12	
C. C. L. & W.....	A Travelling Bag.....	3 00	
J McDowell	Fitting Type Cases	12 00	
Mansell & Holroyd..	Tumblers	38	
R T Williams.....	Making Portfolios	20 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Door Mats	7 00	
J McDowell	A Wetting Trough	28 50	
C E Bunting	A large Desk.....	30 00	
D W Higgins	Permits	50	
J McDowell	Making Type Trays	6 75	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	1,407 38	280,001 29

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	1,407 38	280,001 29
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued.</i>		
T N Hibben & Co....	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.		
Do.	Printing Type.....	321 85	
J Sehl	Stationery for Attorney-General's Office.....	42 25	
Do.	Furniture do. do.	11 25	
T Theobald	Do. for Audit Office.....	3 50	
R T Williams.....	Copying for Land Registry Office	5 88	
Water Co.	Mounting, &c., a Map	5 50	
Fell & Finlayson....	Water	7 50	
R T Williams.....	Oil, &c.....	3 25	
W Jones	Ruling and Binding.....	16 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Furniture, &c., for Supreme Court	58 50	
Mrs. Deasy	Stationery, Do.	23 75	
J McDowell	Washing Towels	2 00	
C. C. L. & W.	Making Side Sticks	6 50	
G F Seymour.....	For various, for Coal, &c.....	165 50	
T L Fawcett & Co..	Furniture for Supreme Court	88 50	
R T Williams.....	Do. do.	35 40	
G. Fox	Binding and Paging Treasury Cash Book.....	5 00	
J Sehl	Lamps, Chimneys, &c, for Executive Council.....	14 62	
G Fox	Furniture for Supreme Court.....	53 50	
Turner, Beeton, & Tunstall	Coal Oil for Executive Council.....	11 50	
A & W Wilson	Towels for Audit Office.....	1 50	
T N Hibben & Co....	Repairing, &c., in Printing Office.....	33 62	
Fellows & Roscoe...	A Diary for Audit Office.....	2 50	
Turner, Beeton, & Tunstall	Knives, Nails, &c.....	14 75	
W Jones	Furniture for Supreme Court	97 31	
Burnes & Edwards..	Do. do.	6 75	
W A Franklin	Do. do.	2 12	
Mrs. Deasy.....	Carriage of Books for do.	1 50	
R T Williams.....	Washing Towels	5 00	
H Lyne	Making Portfolios	13 25	
T Wilson & Co....	Subscription to "Colonist".....	6 50	
T N Hibben & Co....	Grey Sheeting.....	2 00	
Do.	Leaders, Scissors, &c	28 50	
Do.	Stationery for Land Registry Office	5 50	
A & W Wilson	Do. Treasury	2 00	
R T Williams.....	Furniture for Attorney-General's Office	11 74	
T L Fawcett & Co..	Binding Gazettes	12 50	
J Finlayson	Repairing Window Blinds	6 50	
C E Bunting.....	Candles, &c.....	2 37	
C. C. L. & W.	Furniture for Supreme Court	22 50	
D W Higgins.....	Coal, &c., for Offices.....	84 00	
J Connell	Back numbers of "Colonist".....	1 50	
Langley & Co....	Dictionary	1 25	
Brodrick & Co....	Duster, Lamps, &c.....	12 99	
Langley & Co....	Coal, &c., for Offices.....	33 50	
T Storey	Duster, Lamp Wicks, &c	4 62	
J T Baker	Box for Tenders	3 00	
Mansell & Co....	Washing Towels.....	4 00	
"Colonist"	Broom	50	
T N Hibben & Co....	3 months' Subscription.....	3 25	
W Denny	Stationery	104 25	
Turner & Co....	Towels	2 25	
E Marvin.....	Sheeting for Maps	20 37	
S. R. Water Co....	Call Bell for Provincial Secretary's Office	2 50	
C E Redfern	Supplies for Offices	3 25	
W L Booker	Clock for Provincial Secretary's Office	12 00	
G B Murray	Book on Hydraulics.....	2 50	
W J Armstrong....	Stationery for Office	5 75	
H Elliott.....	1 doz. Wax Matches.....	2 00	
G B Murray	1 cord of Bark.....	3 50	
	Pens, Ink, &c	8 88	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	2,883 40	280,001 29

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	2,883 40	280,001 29
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	Stationery, Fuel, Light, &c.		
Major & Co.....	Candlesticks, &c	1 87	
Holbrook, Fisher & Co	Coal	27 00	
G B Murray	Diary, &c.....	4 87	
Ah Chin	Cleaning Office, Kootenay (3 months).....	30 00	
Oppenheimer & Co..	Candles, Stationery, &c	19 74	
C Gallagher	Cordwood for Office, Wild Horse Creek	80 00	
M L Bright.....	Do. do. Perry Creek	60 00	
J Staeven	Candles, Stationery, &c	19 87	
W Davison	Repairing Office Seal.....	1 50	
Ah Foo	Cleaning Office, &c., Cariboo (3 months)	60 00	
Barnard & Co.....	Charges on Books from Registrar-General.....	9 50	
Cohen & Co.....	Candles for Office.....	3 00	
J Reed	Chopping Axe, &c.....	4 50	
Soon Yee	Firewood for Office, Court House, &c	120 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Copying Book.....	16 63	
F Lallier.....	Ink, Office Books, &c.....	10 75	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Coal Oil	11 00	
T R Buie.....	Candles, Ink, &c., Lytton Office.....	5 25	
Dick.....	Cutting and Hauling Firewood.....	3 00	
U Nelson	Stationery for Office.....	3 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Journal for Kamloops Office	1 00	
Do.	Candles, Broom, &c., Yale Office.....	16 87	
Oppenheimer & Co..	Envelopes, Mucilage, &c. do.	2 25	
Statama	Firewood, Cleaning Office, &c., Lillooet.....	19 15	
J Miller	Writing Paper.....	10 00	
Barnard & Co.....	Charges on Stationery from Victoria.....	5 00	
B D'Allorso	Writing Ink, &c	3 00	
T Spellman	Cordwood for Office.....	60 50	
J Miller	Candles and Envelopes.....	13 50	
E A Wadham	Stove for Office, Clinton.....	40 00	
Jim	Cleaning Office.....	15 00	
Barnard & Co.....	Freight on Books from Registrar-General	3 00	
Seshuat.....	Sawing Cordwood	10 00	
E Parsley	Cordwood for Office.....	67 50	
J Ganner	Coal for Office.....	6 00	
G Baker	Do.	6 00	
T N Hibben & Co....	Letter Book, Writing Paper, Ink, &c.....	9 25	
J Hert	Cordwood for Office, Omineca.....	48 00	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Candles do. do.	7 50	
W Tappage.....	Cordwood do. Stuart's Lake.....	54 00	
E Coffee	Gratuity on abolition of Office		3,772 40
			504 00
	Appropriation for re-establishment of Ferry at Lillooet ...		nil.
	Appropriation for Lunatics.		
Hayward & Jenkinson	On account of Contract for Infirmary	750 00	
D W Higgins.....	Advertising	5 00	
Hayward & Jenkinson	Contract.....	900 00	
B Wakefield	Cleaning.....	15 00	
C. C. L. & W.....	Labour and Supplies.....	210 00	
T Storey.....	Labour for alterations, &c	116 92	
D F Adams & Co....	Repairs, &c	2,144 50	
H Guy.....	Sinking a Well	19 50	
T L Fawcett & Co...	Supplies.....	79 00	
J S Drummond	Do.	576 06	
C. C. L. & W.....	A Cask supplied.....	11 00	
J Fell & Co.	Supplies.....	182 74	
G F Seymour.....	Do.	112 00	
W Jackson	Boat, &c.....	60 00	
E Marvin	Supplies.....	20 75	
Hudson's Bay Co....	Do.	69 50	
W J Jeffree.....	Do.	215 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	5,486 97	284,277 69

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	5,486 97	284,277 69
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued.</i>		
	Appropriation for Lunatics.		
E B Marvin	Supplies.....	18 00	
Langley & Co.....	Do.	19 87	
T N Hibben & Co....	Do.	14 37	
J Vaughan	Do.	41 13	
E A Sharpe.....	Petty Expenses.....	44 50	
H Jewell.....	Supplies.....	135 75	
M H McMillan	Sewing	35 53	
Water Co.	Water.....	18 75	
Superintendent	For Salaries	159 34	
R Beaven	Supplies.....	93 50	
Sproat & Co.	Do.	43 50	
T H Long	Advertising	6 00	
Vaughan & Woods..	Supplies.....	80 68	
Langley & Co.....	Do.	21 78	
J Fell & Co.....	Do.	64 62	
W J Jeffree.....	Do.	33 75	
W G Bowman	Horse hire	22 50	
J S Drummond	Supplies.....	84 12	
Superintendent	For Salaries	284 25	
Hayward & Jenkinson	Funeral of late W. Bedder	25 00	
G W Anderson	Supplies.....	49 61	
E Mallandaine	Architect	135 00	
C Strouss & Co.....	Supplies.....	51 50	
Water Co.	Water.....	21 25	
Superintendent	For Salaries	319 09	
Sproat & Co.....	Supplies.....	39 00	
Mary	Washing.....	5 00	
A Thomas	Capturing escaped lunatic	10 00	
J Wagner	Carriage hire.....	6 00	
C Levi	Ferriage (December)	4 00	
Moore & Co.....	Medicine.....	75	
J A Travers	Cook's Wages	28 00	
E A Sharpe	Capturing escaped lunatic.....	9 25	
G Francis	Carriage hire for do.	5 00	
C Levi	Ferriage (November)	4 00	
Fell & Co.....	Supplies.....	105 18	
H Jewell	Furniture, &c.	48 50	
G W Anderson	Bread, &c.....	40 37	
J Vaughan	Meat.....	67 25	
W J Jeffree.....	Blankets.....	45 75	
T N Hibben & Co....	Stationery	9 87	
E B Marvin	1 pair Oars, &c.	5 25	
Langley & Co.....	Medicines	10 37	
Burnes & Edwards ..	Carpet.....	39 75	
Water Co.	Water.....	5 00	
C. C. L. and W.....	Carriage of Furniture	50	
			7,799 15
T Westgarth	Copying Official Maps for Registrar-General		166 83
	Expenses of Elections, <i>arrears</i> of 1871 :—		
P Read	Conveyance of Election documents, Skeena to Omineca	250 00	
J Hammond	Do. do. do.	500 00	
			750 00
	Expenses connected with Assay of Minerals, <i>arrears</i> 1871 :		
E Pearson	Freight on Chemicals		14 00
	Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages :—		
T N Hibben & Co....	Paper for Forms	138 25	
"Colonist"	Advertising	9 00	
R T Williams.....	Binding and Ruling Books.....	258 00	
D W Higgins	Advertising	9 00	
"Sentinel"	Do.	20 00	
D W Higgins	Do.	9 00	
	<i>Carried forward</i>	443 25	293,007 67

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	443 25	293,007 67
	35.—MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.— <i>Continued</i> .		
	Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages :—		
T N Hibben & Co....	Stationery	15 00	
D W Higgins	Advertising	9 00	
			467 25
Commissioners of Savings Banks ...	Interest :—		
	On Temporary Loans		8,194 89
	DRAWBACKS AND REFUNDS.		
A C Munro.....	Proportion of Fee returned	2 00	
Indian	Road Tax refunded	2 00	
H Sullivan	Deposit refunded	6 00	
Clerk of Bench	Distiller's license lodged in error.....	25 00	
C. C. L. & W.	Money paid for Land at Langley	20 00	
J Orr	Mining Record Fee overcharged	5 00	
			60 00
	THE COMMISSIONERS OF SAVINGS BANKS' ACCOUNT.		
Cashier	Amount repaid Depositors.....		169,055 42
			470,785 23

Amount of Expenditure to 30th June..... \$133,839 26

Less error in addition of Police and Gaols, page 10 255 53

133,583 73

Amount of Expenditure to 31st December 470,785 23

Total Expenditure for Year \$604,368 96

W. C. BERKELEY.

Audit Office, B. C.,
16th July, 1873.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for copies of correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Government at Ottawa, relative to the four Acts of last Session which were reserved for the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor-General.

By Command,
JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
7th January, 1878.

Lieutenant-Governor Trutch to the Honorable J. Howe, Secretary of State.

No. 60.

11th May, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit herewith enclosed, for such action as His Excellency the Governor-General may be pleased to take in reference thereto, four Bills the titles of which are set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed, which were passed by the Legislative Assembly during its recent Session, but have been reserved by me for the signification of the Governor-General's pleasure in regard thereto. A copy of the Report of the Honorable the Attorney General on each of these Bills is also enclosed herewith.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS TRANSMITTED IN DESPATCH No. 60.

- A Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Military and Naval Settlers' Act, 1863."
- A Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871."
- A Bill entitled "An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax."
- A Bill entitled "The Legitimacy Act, 1872."

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
6th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to report, for the information of the Governor-General, upon an Act passed during the present Session, intituled "An Act to amend the Military and Naval Settlers' Act, 1863."

This Act extends the time for the presentation by the applicant for a free grant of land, of the certificate from the General Commanding-in-Chief in England, for from the office of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, showing that the settlement of such person in a British Colony has been sanctioned, and showing also the rank and length of service of such person, as mentioned in the principal Act, from 1 year to 3 years; and also extends the proviso that no location ticket shall be granted or free grant made unless the particular land to be included therein shall have been claimed, to within 3 years, instead of 2 years, as in the principal Act.

The Act was passed with a view to encourage the settlement in British Columbia of Military and Naval Officers, and, as it is perhaps in conflict with the 11th Section of the Terms of Union with Canada, I would respectfully suggest that His Excellency should reserve his assent.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. MCCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
3rd April, 1872.

SIR,—I had the honor to report to you, on the 6th of April instant, that I did not consider that an Act intituled "The Military and Naval Settlers' Amendment Act, 1872," was a measure to which, in conformity with the law, could your assent be given, and I think inspection of its provisions will fully bear out this statement.

The object of this Act is to give enlarged facilities to the acquirement of land in British Columbia by Military and Naval settlers, having regard to the 6th and 10th Sections of the principal Act, which is No. 43 of the Revised Statutes, 1871.

It seems unnecessary to enquire whether the operation of the last mentioned Act is temporarily suspended by the 11th Section of the Terms of Union with Canada, because it seems very evident that any proposed enlargement of its provisions is plainly inconsistent with these terms, and therefore must be treated as illegal.

The right of pre-emption therein referred to must, of course, mean that which is prescribed by the "Land Ordinance, 1870."

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
8th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to report for the information of His Excellency the Governor-General, upon an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature, intituled "An Act to render legitimate, children born out of lawful wedlock, whose parents now are or may hereafter under certain restrictions be married."

This Act seems to be beyond the jurisdiction of the Provincial Legislature; see Section 91, Sub-section 24, of the British North America Act, 1867. I would therefore respectfully suggest that Your Excellency reserve the same for the consideration of the Governor-General.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
8th May, 1872

SIR,—I had the honor briefly to report, on a former occasion, that I considered that the "Legitimacy Act, 1872," which passed the Legislative Assembly during the last Session, was "a measure which should be reserved for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General."

The object of the Act is to legitimate children born out of wedlock; firstly, whose parents, either prior to the intended passage of the Act have intermarried; or secondly, who shall hereafter marry before the 1st July, A. D. 1873.

To deal with the former provision it is submitted that it seeks to give a retrospective effect to marriages, by granting to illegitimate children the same status as if their parents had married antecedently to the birth of such offspring.

A question at once arises under the 91st Section of the British North America Act, 1867, and Sub-section 26, whether such legislation does not solely belong to the Parliament of Canada, the jurisdiction of the Provincial Legislature being restricted to the "solemnization of marriage in the Province," and the present not being a matter "coming within the classes of subjects by this Act assigned exclusively to the Legislatures of the Provinces."

Having regard to the inconvenience which has occurred through marriages being celebrated with various rites in different parts of the United Kingdom, the policy of allowing each Province to legislate as to the solemnities of a marriage may with great respect be doubted. However the

Imperial Legislature seems to have fully attended to the distinction, which has been clearly pointed out by our Courts, between the mere celebration of a marriage and the consequences or incidents which follow upon such celebration, and to have advisedly withdrawn the latter subject from Provincial legislation.

If this Act is allowed to pass, it is perhaps difficult to see why it may not be followed by Provincial legislation on the subject of "Marriage and Divorce." If the Local Legislature is able to enact that past concubinage if followed by marriage shall be deemed for certain purposes at least to have been marriage, why not also enact that a former marriage shall henceforth under circumstances be deemed to be concubinage.

Again, the provision in the first section, legitimating children whose parents shall, prior to the 1st July, 1873, be lawfully intermarried, seems in another point of view to deal with the subject of "marriage."

It seems to hold out an inducement to persons living in a state of concubinage to continue therein till that date approaches, and if the Provincial Legislature have power to fix that as the period within which marriages shall have a retrospective effect, they may likewise, and probably will, hereafter claim that right to extend that period, and thereby permanently introduce a doctrine into British Columbia which is "repugnant to the settled principles and policy" of the laws of England, and with that which it is believed prevails generally in the Dominion.

A further difficulty will arise if the Act passes, from the well established doctrine "that according to the law of England, a bastard child whose putative father was English at its birth could not be legitimated by the father afterwards acquiring a foreign domicile and marrying the mother in a country by the law of which a subsequent marriage would have legitimated the child.

It seems plain that beyond British Columbia, at least wherever the law of England prevails, such children will continue illegitimate. But it is difficult to suppose that the British North America Act contemplates legislation which will have the effect of enabling an individual to inherit in one Province and disqualify him therefrom in another.

In the case of a title the absurd result might follow, that the elder illegitimate child could hold it in British Columbia, which the younger, but legitimate, brother might at the same time enjoy elsewhere.

It may be added that it is also difficult to suppose that the Imperial Legislature intended to sanction the making of a law in British Columbia, whilst the law of England would refuse to recognise its validity beyond the limits of the Province.

The second section of the Act seems to be defective in saving only those rights, &c., "which have been acquired," prior to the passing of the Act. An illegitimate child who was not contemplated as the object of the bounty of a testator, or of a settler of property by deed, &c., may under this section take an interest, to the exclusion of the intended grantee.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
8th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor General, upon an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature, intituled. "An Act to impose a tax on Wild Lands."

This Act imposes a Tax of four cents per acre on unimproved land in the Province.

It is perhaps doubtful whether it may not be considered that it may apply to the land hereafter appropriated for Railway purposes under the 11th Section of the Terms of Union, and I would suggest that it should be reserved for the consideration of the Governor-General.

I have &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
30th April 1872.

SIR,—I had the honor to report on a former occasion, for His Excellency's information, that I considered that an Act passed by the Legislative Assembly during the last Session, intituled "The Land Tax Act, 1872," was a measure which in my opinion should be reserved for the consideration of the Governor-General, and I will now state briefly the reasons upon which that report was founded.

The 1st Section purports to impose an annual tax of 4 cents per acre upon all land in the Province, except as therein and in the 30th Section is excepted.

The Land hereafter to be appropriated in furtherance of the construction of the Pacific Railway (see Terms of Union with Canada Section 11) will no doubt, until such appropriation takes place, be exempted by Sub-section (a) of Section 1 from taxation, but it seems that after such "20 miles on each side of the said line" or any portion thereof shall have been transferred to a Company, as a consideration for constructing the Railway, the serious difficulty would arise of such Company taking the land subject to the annual payment of 4 cents per acre.

Perhaps it would be more correct to state that they would fully take into account the impost, as well as the possibility of others of a similar character, before making any such contract, and their terms would be *pro tanto* the less favorable to Canada.

The Legislature of British Columbia having agreed to the grant referred to in that Section, cannot now derogate therefrom; and as the Terms of Union are equivalent to an Act of the Imperial Legislature, any attempt so to do appears to be not merely improper but altogether futile.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

The Attorney General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
17th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to report to you on an Act intituled "An Act to amend the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871."

This Act, whilst extending the franchise in this Province to every male of the age of 21 years, who is entitled within the Province to the privileges of a natural-born British subject (although without any property qualification, subject to certain provisos which are immaterial to this enquiry), by the concluding clause enacts "that nothing herein contained shall be deemed "to apply to Chinese or Indians," and thereby purports to exclude from the exercise of the electoral franchise not only Chinamen but the aboriginals of the Province.

Under the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871 (No 156 of the Revised Statutes, 1871), as might have been expected, all persons who had the Qualification therein described (see Section 3 of that Act) were enabled to be registered as Voters, independently of any question of nationality, race, or color, and the above mentioned restriction seems to be objectionable; firstly, as being contrary to the instructions usually furnished to Governors of Colonies,—see Section XV, Sub-divisions 6 and 9 (which I presume are still applicable); and secondly, as being beyond the jurisdiction of the Provincial Legislature,—see British North America Act, 1867, Section 91, Sub-section 24.

By Section XV., Sub-division 6, of such instructions, the Governor of a Colony is forbidden to assent to "any Bill, the provisions of which shall appear inconsistent with obligations imposed "on us by Treaty."

It is believed that the legislation attempted by this Act, as regards Chinese, contravenes the clause of the Instructions, and it is submitted that it is likewise clearly contrary to Sub-section 9, which similarly provides against any Bill being assented to "whereby persons not of "European birth or descent may be subjected or made liable to any disabilities or restrictions "to which persons of European birth or descent are not also subjected or made liable."

But the British North America Act, 1867, seems to afford a still more formidable objection. Not only does the Provincial Act in question purport to legislate on the subject of Indians, but it attempts to deprive them of the exercise of the franchise, regardless of the qualifications therefor, which in other respects they may possess, whilst the now existing law, as might be expected, gives them completely the same status as that enjoyed by other British Subjects.

When it is added that the Indian population of the Province is supposed to amount to 50,000 souls, affording, as may be presumed, a proportion of one-fifth or 10,000 of the full age of 21 years, the grave nature of the question becomes very evident, and reasons of policy, as well as of law, seem alike to condemn the measure.

I have, &c.,
J. F. MCCREIGHT,
Attorney-General.

The Honorable J. Howe to Lieutenant-Governor Trutch.

No. 84.

29th May, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of your Despatch No. 60, of the 11th instant, covering copies of four Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia during its recent Session, but by you reserved for the signification of the pleasure thereon of His Excellency the Governor-General, together with a copy of the Report of your Attorney-General on each of the said Bills.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, &c.,
British Columbia.

The Honorable J. Howe to Lieutenant-Governor Trutch.

No. 109.

OTTAWA, 7th October, 1872.

SIR,—Referring to your Despatch No. 60, of the 11th May last, I have the honor to transmit to you, for the information of your Government, a copy of an Order of the Governor-General in Council, on the subject of a certain Act passed by the Legislature of British Columbia at its last Session, and reserved by you for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon, intituled "An Act to amend the Military and Naval Settlers' Act, 1863," to which Act His Excellency, for reasons set forth in the said Order in Council, withholds his assent.

I have also the honor to enclose for the information of your Government, a copy of an Order of the Governor-General in Council on the subject of a certain other Act passed by the Legislature of British Columbia at its last Session, and reserved by you for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon, intituled "An Act to amend the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871," to which Act His Excellency has been pleased to grant his assent.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. A. MEREDITH,
Under Secretary.

His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Trutch,
British Columbia.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the 30th September, 1872.

Upon a Despatch (No. 60 and dated 11th May last) from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, transmitting certain Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly of that Province, during its then recent Session, which had been reserved for the signification of the pleasure of the Governor-General, and transmitting, also, a copy of the Report of the Attorney-General, the Deputy of the Minister of Justice reports as follows:—

"An Act to amend the 'Military and Naval Settlers Act, 1863.'

"The object of this Act is to enlarge the facilities for the acquirement of land in British Columbia by Military and Naval settlers, having regard to certain provisions of number 43, of the Revised Statutes of 1871, which it is proposed to amend and extend in its operation.

"He is of opinion that the operation of this Act would be in conflict with the 11th Section of the Terms of Union of British Columbia with Canada, and he recommends therefore that the assent of the Governor-General be withheld therefrom."

The Honorable the Minister of Justice having reported his concurrence in the above recommendation, the Committee advise that the above Act be not assented to.

Certified,
(Signed) W. A. HIMSWORTH, C. P. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the 30th September, 1872.

The Committee have had under consideration the annexed Report, dated 18th September, 1872, from the Hon. the Minister of Justice upon a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871," passed by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, and which has been reserved for the signification of the pleasure of the Governor-General, and they respectfully advise that the said Bill be assented to, and the recommendation of the Minister of Justice acted upon.

Certified,
(Signed) W. A. HIMSWORTH, C. P. C.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OTTAWA,
September 18th, 1872.

Upon a Despatch (numbered 60, and dated the 11th May last) from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, transmitting certain Bills, passed by the Legislative Assembly of that Province, during its then recent Session, which had been reserved for the signification of the pleasure of the Governor-General, and transmitting also, a copy of the Report of the Attorney General, the undersigned has the honor to report as follows:—

Act to amend the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871.—

The Report of Mr. Attorney-General McCreight recommended the reservation of the Act upon the ground that the 13th Clause precluded the exercise of the Electoral franchise, in respect to the Legislative Assembly, by Chinese and Indians, and he was of the opinion that the same was in contravention of the instruction, furnished by Governors of Colonies, and also of the "British North America Act, 1867" Section 91, Sub-section 24.

Upon the first point, the undersigned is of opinion that the Imperial instructions issued to Governors of Colonies, and which accompanied their Commissions direct from the Queen, are not applicable to the cases of Lieutenant-Governors of Provinces of Canada, who receive their Commissions from the Governor-General; under the Great Seal of Canada, and to whom instructions are to be communicated, by the terms of those Commissions, from the Governor-General of Canada in Council or through any member of the Council.

Every deference would of course be paid to the terms of instructions which have been given by the Imperial Government to Governors of Colonies, and the view entertained by Mr. Attorney-General McCreight, of reserving the Bill under the circumstances, has been exercised with much discretion.

It may however be observed, that there is no instruction of such a nature in the Commission or Royal instructions to the Governor-General since the year 1867.

Upon the second point, as to the jurisdiction of the Legislature of British Columbia, as it has been exercised in this instance, the undersigned has the honor to state, that he is of the opinion that "The British North America Act, 1867," Section 91, Sub-section 24, which places within the exclusive Legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada, "Indians, and Land reserved for Indians," has reference to legislation connected with Indians generally, and to lands reserved for them.

The Order of the Queen in Council under which British Columbia was admitted into the Union, is (Section 13) as follows:—

"The charge of the Indians and the Trusteeship, and the management of the Lands reserved for their use and benefit, shall be assumed by the Dominion Government, and a policy as liberal as that hitherto pursued by the British Columbia Government shall be continued by the Dominion Government after the Union."

But by Section 10 of that Order in Council, the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," shall, except, &c., "be applicable to British Columbia, in the same way, and to the like extent, as they apply to the other Provinces of the Dominion, and as if the Colony of British Columbia had been one of the Provinces originally united by the said Act;" and by

Section 14, "the Constitution of the Executive authority, and of the Legislature of British Columbia, shall, subject to the provisions of 'The British North America Act, 1867,' continue "as existing at the time of the Union, until altered under the authority of the said Act," &c.

Now it is by "The British North America Act, 1867," Section 92, enacted that in each Province the Legislature may exclusively make laws in relation to, amongst other classes, the following, viz:—The amendment from time to time, "notwithstanding anything in the Act, of "the constitution of the Province, except as regards the office of Lieutenant-Governor."

This, it is apprehended, confers upon each Province the right of legislating as to its franchise.

It may be mentioned that this right has been exercised by the Province of Ontario, in respect to the right of Indians to vote in the District of Algoma at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly of that Province, by 33 Vic., Cap. 25, Section 24, which excepts from the right of franchise—

"Indians belonging to Tribes, and Indians in receipt of Government aid or bounty."

Under these circumstances, the undersigned is of opinion that the Legislature of British Columbia have authority to legislate, in their own discretion, as to the parties by whom the right of franchise, in respect of the Legislative Assembly, may be exercised.

The undersigned has, therefore, the honor to Report that, in his opinion, this Act may receive the assent of the Governor-General.

The undersigned recommends, however, that the attention of the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia be called to the 10th Section of the Act, which provides a substituted Section for Section 3 of the Act which it proposes to amend.

By this Section it is provided who shall have the right to vote at the Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and amongst other requisites, is one that the voter shall be entitled to the privilege of a natural-born British subject, &c. But it is provided, "that no natural-born "British subject, who has renounced or sworn his allegiance to any Foreign State, or become the "Citizen of any Foreign State, shall be entitled to be registered under the provisions of the Act, until "he shall have taken the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty, before some Judge of the Supreme "or County Court, Magistrate, or Justice of the Peace in this Province, which oath such Judge, "Magistrate, or Justice of the Peace, is hereby authorised to administer, &c."

Upon the principle before suggested, that it is within the Legislative authority of the Province to regulate by whom the franchise shall be exercised, it is within their authority to provide, if they so desire, that Aliens shall not have the right to vote; but if this proviso be intended to have the effect of naturalizing as a British Subject, any person who has renounced his allegiance, or sworn allegiance to, or become the Citizen of any Foreign State, &c., it is recommended that the Legislature of British Columbia be invited to repeal the proviso—as the subject of the naturalization of Aliens is one which, by the "The British North America Act, 1867," Section 91, Sub-section 25, is left exclusively to the Legislative jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, and Acts have been passed accordingly, 31 Vic., Cap. 66, and 34 Vic., Cap 22. And reference may further be had on this subject to the Acts of the Imperial Parliament of the 33 Vic., Caps. 14 and 102, as amended further by an Act of 1872, in respect to the modes by which British Nationality may, under certain circumstances, be resumed.

(Signed) H. BERNARD,
D. M. J.

I concur in this Report.

(Signed) JOHN A. MACDONALD,
M. J.

The Honorable J. Howé to Lieutenant-Governor Trutch.

OTTAWA,
October 16th, 1872.

SIR,—With further reference to your Despatch No. 60, of the 11th May, last, I have the honor to transmit to you, herewith, for the information of your Government, a copy of an Order of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the Bill passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia during its recent Session, intituled "An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax," and reserved by you for the signification of His Excellency's pleasure thereon, to which Bill His Excellency, for reasons set forth in the Order in Council, withholds his assent.

I have at the same time, in terms of the Order in Council, to request that you will have the goodness to urge upon your Government, the expediency of exempting Railway lands, such as

those referred to by the Minister of Justice in his Report (an extract of which is embodied in the Order in Council), in any Act that may henceforth be passed imposing a Land Tax.

I have also to suggest, to prevent the possibility of a doubt, that Sub-section (a.) of the Act referred to in the Order in Council, should, in any new Act, be amended by exempting lands, *now or at any time hereafter*, vested in or held in trust for Her Majesty.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) E. A. MEREDITH,
Under Secretary.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the 12th October, 1872.

Upon a Despatch (No. 60, and dated 11th May, last) from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, transmitting certain Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly of that Province during its then recent Session, which had been reserved for the signification of the pleasure of the Governor-General, and transmitting also a copy of a Report of the Attorney-General,

The Honorable the Minister of Justice, to whom the above mentioned Despatch and Report were referred, reports with respect to a Bill intituled "An Act to impose a Wild Land Tax," as follows:—

"That this Act imposes a Tax of four cents per acre upon all Land, with certain exceptions.

"That by Sub-section (a.) of the first Clause of this Bill, Land vested in, or held in trust for Her Majesty, or for the public uses of the Province, are exempted from the Tax.

"Although under this exemption the Lands to be conveyed in trust by the Government of British Columbia to that of the Dominion, under the 11th Section of the Terms of Union between British Columbia and Canada, will be free from the Tax; it is clear that whenever these Lands are conveyed to any Company, incorporated for the purpose of the construction of the Pacific Railway, the exemption will cease.

"Now, the imposition of so heavy a Tax as four cents an acre upon this large tract of Wild Land, will render it practically valueless.

"The Government of Canada are taking active steps to endeavour to induce capitalists to engage in the great undertaking of constructing a Railway to connect the two Oceans.

"The chief inducement to such capitalists, is the promise of a large grant of Land in aid of the enterprise, and the imposition of such a Tax upon these Railway Lands, would greatly diminish the prospect of a Company being formed.

"The Attorney-General of British Columbia seems to agree with the undersigned in this opinion.

"Under these circumstances, therefore, the undersigned begs respectfully to recommend that the assent of Your Excellency be withheld from this Bill.

"He also begs leave to suggest that the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia be instructed to press upon his Government the expediency of exempting these Railway Lands in any Act that may hereafter be passed imposing a Land Tax.

"He would further suggest, to prevent the possibility of a doubt, that Sub-section (a.) above referred to, should, in any new Act, be amended by exempting Lands *now, or at any time hereafter*, vested in or held in trust for Her Majesty."

The Committee concur in this foregoing Report of the Minister of Justice, and submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified,
(Signed) W. A. AIMS WORTH,
Clerk, P. C.

RETURN

Of all correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Board of Health of the City of Victoria, in relation to the late Quarantine transactions in British Columbia.

By Command,

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
27th January, 1873.

The Secretary of the Board of Health to the Provincial Secretary.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
21st June, 1872.

SIR,—Having received news, per telegraph, that the Steamship "California" has left San Francisco for this port, or Esquimalt, I am directed by the President, on behalf of the Board of Health, to inquire whether, in the event of the said vessel anchoring in Esquimalt Harbour, and there being any case or cases of contagious disease on board, the Board of Health have power to cause her to be placed in Quarantine.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) WM. LEIGH,
Secretary to the Board.

The Provincial Secretary to the Secretary of the Board of Health.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
22nd June, 1872.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 21st inst., I have the honor to forward you herewith, a copy of the Attorney General's opinion on the subject alluded to by you.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Provincial Secretary.

The Attorney General's opinion.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
22nd June, 1872.

Since the Proclamation of 18th January, 1860, the Port of Victoria and Esquimalt Harbour have been treated as one by the Legislature, and I think there is good ground for contending that for the purposes of the Health Ordinance, 1869, and the By-Law of the 17th May, 1869, the Port of Victoria must be taken to include the Harbour of Esquimalt, and I should recommend the Mayor to act accordingly.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. MCCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

(Copy)

The Lieutenant-Governor to Sir John McDonald.

VICTORIA, B. C.,

26th June, 1872.

If Canadian Quarantine Law applies to this Province, pray direct proper officer to enforce Law here immediately. Such action urgently needed as small-pox cases have arrived by steamer

Signed, JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Secretary of the Board of Health to the Provincial Secretary.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

29th June, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Health, held on the 28th inst., the following resolution was passed:—

“Moved that the Clerk of this Board be instructed to forward the following resolution to the Honorable Provincial Secretary, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

“Resolved, That this Board, in view of the legal opinion expressed by the Honorable the Attorney-General at an interview had on the 28th instant, viz: ‘That it would not be safe for the Board to commence legal proceedings against parties for violation of the Health Ordinance and the By-Law relating to Quarantine;’ thereby giving rise to doubts as to the extent of their legal authority, desire to convey to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the feeling of the Board that until they are invested with full legal powers to act, they feel indisposed to take any further action in reference to matters of Quarantine.”

I have, &c.,

(Signed) WM. LEIGH,

*Clerk to the Board of Health.**The Provincial Secretary to the Secretary of the Board of Health.*

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

29th June, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date. Having laid your communication before His Excellency, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency, with a view to assist the Board of Health in the discharge of their arduous and invidious duties, obtained for the Board the advice of the Attorney-General, and that officer expressed an opinion upon a special case which the Board laid before him. The Attorney-General did not give any such general opinion as you express in your resolution. Whatever may be the powers conferred on the Board of Health by the existing Act and the order thereunder, His Excellency is advised that the Quarantine Act of the last Session of the Dominion Parliament precludes His Excellency from enlarging or diminishing this power. As to the Board of Health declining to perform the duties which the law imposes upon them, I may add that the responsibility is theirs and His Excellency cannot advise them to such a course.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,

*Provincial Secretary.**The President of the Board of Health to the Provincial Secretary.*

BOARD OF HEALTH,

2nd July, 1872.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Board of Health held this day, a resolution was passed that the Chairman be requested to forward for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a reply to the untruthful statements contained in the communication from Captain Williams, of the Steamship “Prince Alfred,” and addressed to Captain Fitzgerald, H. M. S. “Boxer,” and making every allowance for the acerbity of feeling on the part of Captain Williams at the detention of the “Prince Alfred,” the Board cannot but express their surprise that he should have made such gross misrepresentations.

Captain Williams says, “on my arrival off the Harbor of Victoria, I fired two guns, etc, etc.”
“No attention or assistance offering, though I had a yellow flag flying, etc., etc.”

The Health Officer did not hear two guns fired but proceeded to the mouth of the Harbor where, according to regulations, the ship should have anchored. The ship had steamed to Royal Roads; the Health Officer followed as quickly as the rough weather permitted. There was no yellow flag flying on board said vessel, in fact Captain Williams was requested to borrow one from Captain Cator.

Captain Williams says "after some time the Health Officer arrived and ordered two men ashore who, I understand, are now fit for duty."

Was it not the duty of the Health Officer to order the said two men ashore who were suffering from small-pox? and are small-pox patients fit for duty? The men are still under the care of the Health Officer at the small-pox hospital.

Captain Williams says, "since then I have had no official communication from any of the City Fathers of Victoria, etc., etc."

The Quarantine boat had orders to report to the Board of Health each day, but of course the Quarantine regulations prevent any communication with shore except by special order.

Captain Williams says, "No fresh water on board my ship, etc., etc."

Reply to be found in the following note, copy of which was forwarded to Mr. Williams on 24th June, 1872:—

(Copy)

BOARD OF HEALTH, VICTORIA,
June 24th, 1872.

MESSRS. WILLIAMS & ARTHUR, ESQUIMALT.

You are hereby authorized to take fresh water alongside the Steamship "Prince Alfred." You will see that nobody leaves your boat to go on board the "Prince Alfred," or come on board your boat from the Ship.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) W. B. MATTHEWS,
Health Officer, City of Victoria.

(Copy)

VICTORIA, B. C.,
28th June, 1872.

CAPTAIN WILLIAMS, STEAMSHIP "PRINCE ALFRED,"

Sir,—I beg to forward copy of a communication to Messrs. Brodrick & Co., in answer to an application made by them to the Board of Health, in relation to the supply of the Steamship "Prince Alfred" with water, viz.:

MESSRS. BRODRICK & COMPANY,

Gentlemen,—In reply to your communication of this days' date (June 28th) I am directed to inform you that the Captain of the steamer "Prince Alfred" has the permission of the Board of Health to supply his vessel with water from the Lagoon near the entrance of Esquimalt Harbor, on the west side of said entrance, opposite where the said vessel is anchored, and also to procure sand in the same vicinity for the purpose of scrubbing the vessel's decks, &c. This permission is granted on condition that neither the officers or crew shall hold any communication with any persons, or boats in transitu.

I have, &c.,
Signed, WM. LEIGH,
Secretary Board of Health.

The above permission was granted by the Board when it was found that Messrs. Williams & Arthur could not for sundry reasons supply said vessel with water, Captain Cator having prohibited the water boat coming alongside H. M. Ships, if they supplied the "Prince Alfred."

Captain Williams says, "Some two days ago a man brought me off a letter, stating he was an officer, and his orders were not to allow any person ashore or to visit my ship. As the letter is not official, &c., &c."

The man (Peter Eddy) referred to, and sworn in before A. F. Pemberton, Esq., the Stipendiary Magistrate on June 24th last, as a special police officer, and having his baton of office, handed to Captain Williams, a letter of which the following is a copy:—

(Copy)

VICTORIA, June 24th, 1872.

CAPTAIN WILLIAMS, STEAMSHIP "PRINCE ALFRED,"

Sir,—The bearer, Peter Eddy, having this day been sworn in as a special police officer, has been instructed to go on board the said Steamship "Prince Alfred," now in quarantine with instructions not to allow any person or persons to go on board or depart from said steamer during the period of quarantine, without the special permission of the Health Officer.

We have, &c.,
Signed, JAMES E. McMILLAN,
JOHN G. TAYLOR,
Members of the Board of Health.

The said officer, in addition to the authority derived from the Stipendiary Magistrate, holds a copy of the above, which was subsequently forwarded to him, under the authority of the Board of Health, and with the Corporate Seal attached. A glance at the enclosed communication received from the Quarantine Officer, will further illustrate the motives and animus by which the said Captain Williams appears to have been actuated. I have, &c.,

Signed, RICHARD LEWIS,
President of the Board of Health.

Copy of Letter from the Quarantine Officer on board Steamship "Prince Alfred" to the Board of Health.

STEAMSHIP "PRINCE ALFRED,"
1st July, 1872.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to transmit to your honorable body some circumstances in connection with my duties on board this ship, under your instructions. In the first place—I have to inform you, from the moment of my boarding, I was subjected to all the insults towards myself, as well as your honorable body, that could be uttered by any animal in the shape of a man, from the Captain of this ship, and I am happy to say from him alone. I should have reported immediately under ordinary circumstances, but for obvious reasons, namely, I intended to suffer with it until the ship came out of Quarantine, knowing the vilest tongues get tired, their owners ashamed, and seldom mean all they say. Secondly—It was impossible on my part to resign and leave it to come on shore free until the ship is out of Quarantine; to send for special assistance from you would not only give trouble to you, but entail a great public expense, and to accept the kind offer from the Police Magistrate to draw from the general force would be very unpleasant to them, therefore I reserved my report in regard to his sending his boat and crew to the side of the "Boxer," "complaining of the city officers keeping him without water, inquiring how long this farce would last, &c., &c."

According to the Captain's own statement, his insults and interference with my duties, even to an assault, I reserve until the proper time.

I take this opportunity of informing your honorable body that early on Saturday morning last, the 29th inst., the ship's boats were sent on shore for water. On returning about 9 o'clock, I discovered all the ship's dirty linen, accumulated from the voyage, in the boat, and had been secretly put in the boat without my knowledge. The waiters on returning with it stated some reason why they could not wash it, but with a severe reprimand they were ordered on shore again to wash them, and not to return until they had washed them all. I immediately told the Captain that such could not be permitted with public safety, and I ordered he should neither send the waiters nor the clothing on shore, and he might consider himself very fortunate that it returned unwashed, as in appearance it was nothing short of a wilful act to transplant the disease from the ship to the shore, and then he would possibly realize his wishes that every son-of-a-b— on shore might have the small-pox; his reply in this case in language and conduct was milder than previously since my being on board. He declared and swore he would send them on shore.

The clothes remained alongside in the boat for about two hours. I repeated, for humanity's sake he ought to be ashamed of it, and it was more than him and his ship was worth to dare and send them on shore. Such a cart load of linen used in time of the loathsome disease on board, and packed away in the bulk, dirt, and infection. The place where he intended to wash was in front of the factory; he finally took them on board again and sent for water only.

Yesterday, Sunday the 30th, the waiters had to amuse themselves by airing all the dirty clothes on the lines, which reached about four lengths of the ship. I am unable to inform your honorable body whether the clothes are intended to be washed on board or not during the Quarantine, therefore I submit the foregoing for your consideration, whether you may deem proper to allow the same to be landed and washed in the city laundries after the ship is out of Quarantine.

The ship has not been fumigated, neither do I hear anything of its being done.

I have this morning learned by accident that the boat's crew, after water on Saturday, were driven off by the settlers, who threatened prosecution against the ship.

9 A. M. The Captain is just gone on shore, for what purpose I am not informed.

I have, &c.,

Signed, P. EDDY,
Officer on board "Prince Alfred."

The Secretary of the Board of Health to the Provincial Secretary.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
5th July, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward for the consideration of His Excellency, a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board of Health, viz.: "*Resolved*, That a respectful communication be addressed to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, stating that the Board of Health having no premises suitable for the accommodation of small-pox patients, other than those temporarily placed at their disposal at Beacon Hill, and which the Board understand are in possession of the Cemetery Board, earnestly request that the Government will take such steps as are necessary to provide a suitable building and premises, for the reception of patients afflicted with small-pox, or other contagious disease."

Feeling assured that this application will receive immediate attention, and such steps adopted as may be commensurate with the great importance of the subject, and requesting an early answer for the information of the Board.

I have, &c.,
Signed, WM. LEIGH,
Secretary to the Board.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the 14th July, 1872.

The Committee of Council have had under consideration the report from the Provincial Secretary on the letter of the Municipal Council, Victoria, dated 5th July, applying for a suitable building for a small-pox hospital.

On the recommendation of the Provincial Secretary, the Committee advise that the Council be acquainted that the Government are not in a position to provide any other than the present building on Beacon Hill.

Certified,

JAS. JUDSON YOUNG,
Clerk to the Municipal Council.

Executive Council Chambers,
19th July, 1872.

The Provincial Secretary to the Secretary of the Board of Health.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
23rd July, 1872.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 5th instant, making application at the direction of the Victoria Board of Health for a suitable building to be provided to receive patients affected with small-pox, I am directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to acquaint you that the Government is not in a position to provide any other building for this purpose than the one now in use situated on Beacon Hill.

I have, &c.,
Signed, A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Provincial Secretary.

The President of the Board of Health to the Provincial Secretary.

BOARD OF HEALTH, VICTORIA,
September 19th, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward, for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor, a statement of the Accounts and Liabilities incurred by the Board of Health in connection with the late Quarantine, extending over a period from June 13th to August 10th, 1872.

In rendering the above statement, the Board of Health trusts that His Excellency may be pleased to take into his favorable consideration, the necessity of the Board being placed in a position of liquidating the said Accounts at the very earliest possible date.

I have, &c.,
Signed, RICHARD LEWIS,
Chairman of the Board.

The Attorney-General's opinion.

I think the Provincial Government are in no way liable to pay the Quarantine Bills, not only because they never authorized the incurring of such expenses, but because "The Health Ordinance, 1869," prescribes that they should be paid, in such cases as the present, by the City

Council. Nor is this construction of the 4th Section of that Ordinance, as applied to this case, affected by the words "provide for any expenses incurred within their respective limits," for, if the expenses had been actually incurred in the City, the Council would have been liable, and they cannot have exonerated themselves by wrongfully incurring the expenditure beyond their limits, where the transaction should have been conducted within them.

This expenditure should, I think, be met, under the 5th Section of the Terms of Union, by the Dominion Government; and, I have no doubt, as since July, 1871, they have assumed and defrayed the charges for the Postal and Telegraphic Services, for the keep of Penitentiary Prisoners, &c., they will also assume the Quarantine expenses; but that Government should be informed thereof at an early date, especially whilst their Financial Agents are in the Province. Ought not those Agents be written to by the City Council, at once?

*Attorney-General's Office,
24th September, 1872.*

Signed, J. F. MCCREIGHT,
Attorney-General.

The Provincial Secretary to the President of the Board of Health.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
24th September, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th September, enclosing a statement of the Liabilities incurred by the Board of Health, in connection with the late Quarantine, and expressing a hope that His Excellency will be pleased to take into his favorable consideration the necessity of the Board being placed in a position to liquidate the accounts at an early period.

In reply, I have it under command to acquaint you that your application must be made to the Dominion Government, who have now a Financial Agent in the Province.

Under the terms of the British North America Act, and those of the Union of this Province with the rest of the Dominion, Canada assumes all expenditure connected with Quarantine.

The Vouchers forwarded, are herewith returned.

I have, &c.,
Signed, A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Provincial Secretary.

The President of the Board of Health to the Lieutenant-Governor.

VICTORIA, October 19th, 1872.

SIR,—Under the advice of the Acting Provincial Secretary, in a letter under date Sept. 24th ultimo, I forwarded all the Accounts having reference to the late Quarantine, to Thos. D. Tims, Esquire, Financial Inspector of the Dominion of Canada, and stated that I should have much pleasure in furnishing that gentleman with any further information he might deem necessary, as to the action of the Board of Health.

I have this day received a communication from Thos. D. Tims, Esquire, a copy of which I have the honor to enclose.

As the highest authority in this Province, I beg now, most respectfully, to appeal to you for your advice and assistance in relation to this matter.

I have, &c.,
Signed RICHARD LEWIS,
President, Board of Health.

The Financial Inspector to the President of the Board of Health.

(Copy) VICTORIA, 18th October, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that, since my letter to you of the 7th instant was written, the Provincial Secretary has, in compliance with my request, communicated to me copies of correspondence between the Local Government and the Board of Health, in reference to the recent Quarantine case.

This correspondence clearly shews that the liabilities referred to me for liquidation, were incurred by the Board, without authority from the Dominion Government.

I beg to add, that I have looked over the Colonial Ordinance, under which the Board of Health of Victoria has been constituted, and find that whatever expenses the Board may incur, in carrying out the law, must be borne by the City of Victoria.

In view of these facts, it is very evident that the Dominion Government have nothing whatever to do with the liquidation of liability incurred without their sanction, by the Board of

Health, acting under Municipal regulations. Should the Board, however, desire it, I shall be happy to forward the Accounts to Ottawa, for the decision of the Privy Council.

I have, &c.,
Signed, THOMAS D. TIMS,
Financial Inspector.

The Attorney General's opinion.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
22nd October, 1872

I think, under the Terms of Union, that the Dominion Government are liable to pay these charges. The question depends on the "Health Ordinance, 1869," and the Terms of Union, Section 5, G.

By the latter, Canada is to assume and defray the charges for the following services: Lighthouses, Buoys, Quarantine, and Marine Hospitals, including a Marine Hospital at Victoria; and by the 146th Section of the "British North America Act, 1867," this provision has the same effect as if enacted by the Imperial Parliament.

By Section 10 of the Terms, coupled with Section 129 of the British North America Act, our local laws, the Health Ordinance included, continue in force till repealed; and by that Act the Local Boards of Health are to do as the Local Board of Victoria did in this instance, i. e.: carry out Quarantine Regulations and By-laws made by the Governor in Council.

It seems incorrect to say, that the Board of Health was acting under mere Municipal Regulations. In truth, if it is material to inquire into the point, they seem to have acted under an Order in Council, made under Section 1, b., and Section 2, 17th May, 1869; and it seems that the circumstance that the Local Board of Health happened, in this instance, to be the Corporation of Victoria, is unimportant. They were appointed as such by the Local Act, whilst other Boards are appointed by the Governor; in which last case it is conceived the liability would not be disputed.

Mr. Tims urges, that the Act says that—"Whatever expense the Board may incur in carrying out the Law must be borne by the City of Victoria."

Section 4 is not as clear as it might be, for it speaks of providing for the expenses out of the general city, town, or district taxes, as they may deem fit, and perhaps contemplates a partial advance of Provincial funds; but admitting that the meaning is that the Municipal funds alone are to be charged with the liability, so is the General Revenue to be charged with the expense in the case of ordinary Local Boards; and, in both instances, Section 5, G., of the Terms of Union, contemplates reimbursement by the Dominion Government.

The Local and Imperial provisions may well stand together; and, in any event, full effect must be given to the Terms, as the Dominion Government have properly done since Union, in the instances A, B, C, D, H, I.

It may be added, that if Canada had provided a Quarantine Hospital immediately after Union, the liability would have been undisputed, and the circumstance of her omitting so to do cannot relieve her.

I have assumed throughout, for the purpose of discussion, that the charges are moderate and proper; if they are excessive, a point which is not presented, other considerations may arise.

A Telegram seems to have been sent to the Dominion Government, requesting them to direct a proper Officer to enforce the law.

The message was transmitted the day after the arrival of the Lieutenant-Governor in Victoria, after an absence on the Mainland; but, as far as I am aware, no answer was returned.

Immediate action was required on the part of the Board of Health, or the expense to the Dominion would have been still greater, independently of the consideration of the terrible nature of the disease, progress of which was arrested.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney General.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and the Judges of the Supreme Court, as to the dismissal of the Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of the Supreme Court.

By Command,

GEO. A. WALKEM,
Attorney-General.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE.
21st January, 1873.

The Attorney-General to Chief Justice Begbie, and the two other Judges.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
15th January, 1873.

SIR,—By order of the Executive Council I have the honor to inform you that they feel compelled, from the exigencies of the service, to diminish the present expense of the Registrar's Department, by retaining only one Registrar, who shall, when necessary, attend Circuit, and by enlisting the services of the Attorney-General's Clerk as Deputy Registrar in his absence.

The Council will deem it a favour if you will inform them which gentleman, of the two now employed, is the more efficient Officer.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. A. WALKEM.

M. B. Begbie, Chief Justice, to the Honorable the Attorney-General.

COURT HOUSE, 16th January, 1873.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant, which I presume, although not so expressed, is to be taken in compliance with the directions of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

With regard to the proposed change in the staff of the Supreme Court, intimated in your letter, inasmuch as I am of opinion that it will very greatly injure, and indeed, according to long experience (the same plan having been already tried and failed) nearly destroy the efficiency of the Registrar's Office.

I must beg to protest against the contemplated abolition, and to leave the entire responsibility with your Administration.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) MATT. B. BEGBIE, C. J.

Mr. Justice Crease to the Honorable the Attorney-General.

SUPREME COURT,
16th January, 1873.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter requesting information, as I take it, on behalf of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

In reply, I beg to state that an experience of near fifteen years in the Province, and passed, for the greater part of that time, in the position of Attorney-General and Judge of the Supreme

Court, has so strongly impressed me with the conviction of the injury to the public interests of suitors which your proposed change in the Registrar's Office would produce, and the extent to which it would cripple the effective administration of the law, that I regret I am not able to comply with your request.

The alternative arrangement you suggest has already been tried, under far more chances of success, when I was Attorney-General, and in the case of my own Clerk, and I need hardly say proved an utter failure.

The difficulties already in the way of the Supreme Court in administering the laws throughout this extensive Province, are already so great, that I regret such a proposition should have been thought of. I feel it a duty to protest against the removal of any Officers whose continued presence and acquaintance with the Records of the Supreme Court in Common Law, Chancery, Bankruptcy, and Probate, and in dealing with the large amounts of money constantly passing through the hands of the Court from day to day, and the safe custody of Wills, imperatively require to be permanently connected with the Courts.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) H. P. P. CREASE, J.

Mr. Justice Gray to the Honorable the Attorney-General.

VICTORIA, 16th January, 1873.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge your note of the 15th Instant, requesting me to state which is the more efficient Officer of the two Registrars of the Supreme Court in view of one being removed.

For the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, I beg to reply that I have no sufficient personal knowledge to make the selection referred to, but, from personal experience, I know that in other Provinces both the stationary Registrar of the Court and the Clerk of the Crown on the Circuits, the corresponding Officers to the two Registrars here, are required to be men thoroughly acquainted, not only with the routine of their duties, but with the existing state of the business both at the head office and in the counties, it being the duty of the latter to see to the correctness of all preliminary measures necessary to bring Criminals before the Court, and that it has not been found to conduce to the successful Administration of Justice to have those duties discharged by persons temporarily employed.

From the information given me by my brother Judges, it appears that such also has been the course in British Columbia, and I am not, therefore, prepared to name the Registrar whose services can be dispensed with.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. HAMILTON GRAY, J.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a copy of the Contract and Charter under which the Alexandra Suspension Bridge was built; also the Surveyor-General's Report upon the said Bridge.

By Command,

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made this second day of February, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, between Richard Clement Moody, Colonel of the Royal Engineers, and Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for British Columbia, acting on behalf of the Government of British Columbia, of the first part, and Joseph William Trutch, of British Columbia, Civil Engineer, of the other part.

WHEREAS the said Joseph William Trutch hath applied to the Government of British Columbia to grant him the privilege of constructing a Bridge, with proper approaches, at a point about one mile below Chapman's Bar, across the Fraser River, by the first day of August, now next ensuing, and keeping the same subsequently in repair. And hath also applied for license and authority to raise and levy a toll of One-third of one halfpenny sterling, on all goods; and a toll of one shilling per head on all loose horses, oxen, asses, and mules, not actually employed in drawing or packing freight or farm produce; and a toll of sixpence sterling per head on all sheep, pigs, colts, or calves; and a toll of two shillings and one penny sterling, upon every vehicle crossing the said Bridge, and used for the conveyance of passengers, and drawn by one horse or other animal; and a toll of four shillings and two pence upon every vehicle crossing the said Bridge and used as aforesaid, drawn by two horses or other animals; and a toll of eight shillings and fourpence sterling, upon every vehicle crossing the said Bridge and used as aforesaid, and drawn by four or more horses, or other animals, excepting from liability to toll all officers, persons, animals, and goods belonging to, or employed by, or in the service of the Government, and all waggons and animals drawing or laden with or regularly employed in drawing or packing freight or farm produce, and respectively passing or carried under, across, on, over, or in evasion of the said tolls by the said bridge, whether by land or by water; and also excepting from such liability all machinery for Steamboat and Railroad purposes, and all foot passengers respectively passing or carried as aforesaid, for the term of Seven years from the due completion in manner hereinafter mentioned of the said Bridge and approaches.

And whereas the said Government hath agreed to grant the said privileges upon the terms and conditions hereinafter more particularly expressed. Now these presents witness that the said Richard Clement Moody, acting on behalf of the Government of British Columbia, in consideration of the agreements hereinafter, on the part of the said Joseph William Trutch contained, hereby agrees as follows:—

That after the exact position of the said intended Bridge and approaches shall have been fixed, to the satisfaction of the said Richard Clement Moody, or other the Chief Commissioner as aforesaid, or his agent for the time being, and security, satisfactory to the said Government, in the penal sum of One thousand pounds given for the due execution, completion, and repair thereof, and for the observance of all and every the stipulations of this agreement, the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators, and assigns, shall have, possess, and enjoy, during the period of One year from the date hereof, full power and authority to construct and make a good and substantial iron-wire Suspension Bridge and approaches, upon plans and specifications to be furnished, forthwith,

by the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators or assigns, and approved of by the said Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, of an uniform width for the whole length, within the time, in the manner, and subject as hereinafter more particularly mentioned, across Fraser River, at or near Chapman's Bar, between the terminal points for such Bridge and approaches, to be fixed to the satisfaction of the said Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works as hereinafter mentioned. Upon the completion of the said Bridge and its approaches within the time, in the manner, and to the satisfaction hereinafter mentioned, the Governor for the time being of British Columbia, in the name of the Queen, or by all other and proper means and forms, shall and will grant unto the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators and assigns, a Charter grant or other sufficient authority giving power and authority from the due completion of the whole of the said Bridge and approaches in manner aforesaid, for and during the term of Seven years next ensuing, after such total completion as aforesaid, to ask, demand, sue for, receive, and recover, by way of toll, from all persons whomsoever the sums following, that is to say:—

For every pound, avoirdupois, of goods, merchandize, stores, productions, and chattels, other than those belonging to or employed in the service of the Government, or manure, lumber, or farm utensils actually in use on farms within thirteen miles of the Bridge, which shall respectively be taken or carried on, over, under, or across, and in evasion of said tolls by the said Bridge, and whether by land or by water, the sum of one-third of one halfpenny sterling; and for every loose ox, horse, ass, or mule, not belonging to or employed in the service of the Government, or in drawing or packing freight or farm produce on the Lytton-Alexandra Road, and passing or taken on, over, under, across, or as aforesaid, by the said Bridge, whether by land or by water, the sum of One shilling and one penny sterling per head; and for every head of sheep, pigs, colts, or calves not belonging or employed as aforesaid, passing or taken on, over, under, across, or as aforesaid, by the said Bridge, and whether by land or by water, the sum of Sixpence halfpenny sterling; and for every vehicle used for the conveyance of passengers drawn by one horse or other animal, and not belonging or employed as aforesaid, the sum of Two shillings and one penny sterling; and for every vehicle as last aforesaid drawn by two horses or other animals, and not belonging to or employed as aforesaid the sum of Four shillings and twopence; and for every vehicle as aforesaid drawn by four horses or other animals, and not belonging or employed as aforesaid, the sum of Eight shillings and four pence sterling.

Such tolls not to be demandable on goods, chattels, vehicles, or animals belonging to or employed in the service of the Government, or on foot passengers, vehicles, waggons, or animals drawing or laden with or regularly employed in drawing or packing freight, farm produce, or implements in use as aforesaid, or on machinery for Steamboat or Railroad purposes, or passengers' personal baggage in any vehicle or ordinary free miners' packs borne by passengers respectively using, carried, or passing along, over, or by the said Bridge.

Upon condition that the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators or assigns, will well and sufficiently perform all and singular the stipulations on his or their part hereinafter mentioned, and in such Charter grant or other authority to be contained. And the said Joseph William Trutch doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, covenant with the said Richard Clement Moody, and his successors in office, that the said Joseph William Trutch, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, will immediately, after the execution hereof, make and deliver to the said Chief Commissioner for the time being, minutely detailed plans and specifications of the intended works and constructions, according to the Schedule hereunto annexed, for the approval of the said Chief Commissioner or his Agent, and will immediately, upon such approval, commence, and will, on or before the first day of August now next ensuing, make and construct a good substantial and permanent Iron-wire Suspension Bridge, across the Fraser River, from and between such terminal as shall be sanctioned in that behalf by the said Chief Commissioner for the time being, according, in all respects, to the plans and specifications, and subject to the written approval of such Chief Commissioner or his Agent, and shall, before commencing the construction of said Bridge and approaches, give good and sufficient bonds to the satisfaction of the said Government in the penal sum of One thousand pounds as ascertained and liquidated damages to be paid in case the said Bridge and approaches, or any part thereof respectively, shall not be completed within the time, in the manner, and to the satisfaction aforesaid, or in case default shall be made in the observance by him or them of all or any, part of the stipulations of this agreement; and that any such Charter grant or other authority shall contain ample provision, with security satisfactory to the Government, for the continuous and thorough repair and painting of the said Bridge and approaches, according to the plans and specifications, and to the satisfaction of the said Chief Commissioner or his Agent, during the continuance of such Charter grant or other authority, and so long as the same shall remain in full force and undetermined under the provisions hereinafter in that

behalf contained. And that such Charter grant or other authority shall contain a provision for such alterations and improvements of the said Bridge, according to the specifications and to the satisfaction of the said Chief Commissioner or his Agents, as the Government shall absolutely find necessary for the public convenience, security, or traffic. And it is hereby declared that it shall be lawful for the said Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, with the consent in writing of the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators, or assigns, until redemption or forfeiture hereinafter referred to, and afterwards without such consent, by any notice, from time to time to reduce, vary, or re-establish all or any of the said tolls, to any sums and for such periods as shall for the time being or from time to time be specified in that behalf in any such notice. And it is hereby also declared, that any such Charter grant or other authority shall contain a provision that for the purposes of collection of tolls the ton shall be deemed and taken to consist of two thousand two hundred and forty pounds avoirdupois or forty cubic feet, as the case may be, and also a provision enabling the said Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to regulate the traffic upon the said Bridge and approaches, and such other provisions and savings of public and private right as are usually inserted in Charters or Acts relating to the construction, maintenance, repairs, tolls, or otherwise, of Public Works in the said Colony. And it is hereby lastly and expressly declared and agreed, that upon any failure of the said Joseph William Trutch, his executors, administrators, or assigns at any time hereafter in the construction, completion, maintenance, repair, or improvement of the said Bridge and approaches, or any part thereof respectively, to the satisfaction of the said Commissioner, or to fulfil or observe all or any of the conditions, provisions, or stipulations of this agreement, or any part thereof respectively, then upon notice to that effect, published by order of the said Commissioner of Lands and Works in the *Government Gazette*, or by any writing under his hand to that effect, affixed to some conspicuous part of the said Bridge and approaches, either of which shall, from the day of it being so published or affixed, be deemed a good and sufficient notice for all purposes where notice is required under this agreement, and subsequent default for fourteen days in obeying any such notice, of which default the said Chief Commissioner shall be the sole judge, then this agreement and all powers and privileges conferred or to be conferred shall thereupon *ipso facto* cease, determine, and be of non-effect, as if this agreement had not been made, but without prejudice to any claim for damages, or otherwise, which the Government may, at the time of such avoidance, have under this agreement, against the said Joseph William Trutch, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns.

In witness whereof, the said parties have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

The Schedule above referred to.

1. The Bridge to be constructed at a place one mile or thereabouts below Chapman's Bar; to approach and connect with the waggon-road on either side of the River; to cross Fraser River with a span of two hundred and fifty feet, or thereabouts; the exact site of the Bridge to be defined on the ground by the said Joseph William Trutch, and approved by the said Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works before the Bridge is commenced.

2. The Bridge to be an Iron-wire Suspension Bridge suitable, in the opinion of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for the heaviest waggon traffic, of not less than a width of eighteen feet roadway, or of twenty feet width if formed in two parallel roadways. The gradients of the approaches should not be steeper than one in thirty, and should ascend towards the Bridge for a distance of fifty feet, measured from it, and be in the same line as the Bridge for that distance. Total length of approach to be made by Contractor on each side of the Bridge, and to extend to the termini of the waggon roads now or lately in process of construction by Joseph William Trutch on each side of the Bridge.

3. Full plans, sections, detailed working drawings, and specifications of the proposed Bridge are to be furnished by the said Joseph William Trutch, and submitted to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for his approval, before the Bridge is commenced. Such drawings are to shew the approaches on each side of the Bridge to their junction with the two roads, with a section of the River shewing its highest flood lines and low water mark, and to be drawn to a scale of not less than ten feet to the inch for the plans and sections of the complete Bridge, and of not less than four feet to the inch for all details of construction, with all dimensions in detail very completely given in figures on the drawings.

4. The whole of the iron work, and such portions of the wood work as require it, are to be thoroughly painted, and the Bridge and its approaches are to be kept in a state of complete and

thorough repair and painting, to the satisfaction of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, during the period that they remain in charge of the said Joseph William Trutch.

5. The above to be deemed only a Provisional Specification, to be completed with the ordinary clauses contained in Specifications of Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, as to time, manner, security, and other provisions for the thorough completion and progress of the works, to the satisfaction of the said Chief Commissioner or his Agent, and with the penalties and powers of final decision usual in Specifications of Public Works given out by the Department of Lands and Works.

6. Such Specification to be finally completed by the Chief Commissioner, upon the approval by him of the plans, sections, detailed working drawings, and specifications mentioned in Clause 3 of this Schedule.

Signed, sealed, and delivered by the said }
Richard Clement Moody, in the }
presence of Thos. Theobald.

R. C. MOODY. [L. S.]

Signed, sealed, and delivered by the said }
Joseph William Trutch, in the }
presence of Thos. Theobald.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH. [L. S.]

Report of the Surveyor-General on the Alexandra Bridge.

"I have thoroughly examined this fine Suspension Bridge, and find that the Sills of the four Towers are in a dangerous condition. They are twenty inches square, and twelve inches of that, scantling, are absolutely rotten. The dry-rot, which has been thus destructive, was caused by the shrinkage and consequent leakage of the rubble and cement filling laid between the Sills in each Tower. The other parts of the Bridge, timber, roadway, &c., are in a good state of repair, and will last for some years.

"I would propose, with the view to an economical repair of this Bridge, that new Sills of wood be laid, and of the same scantling. In order to carry out this work, it will be necessary to dismantle the whole of the Bridge, excepting only the Cables. These can then be raised by means of sheer-legs and suitable tackle, to a height of about twelve inches above the saddles. The Towers, which I estimate by a rough measurement to weigh 10½ tons each, can then be lifted by means of Hydraulic Pumps, sufficiently high to enable the rotten Sills to be cut away, and new ones to be laid in their places.

"Most of the work can be done by the foreman (Niel Black) and his road party, but it is absolutely necessary that a competent and careful Engineer be placed in charge of the work. The Pumps will have to be obtained in San Francisco, and I believe they can be got at about \$200 each.

"By a rough calculation, I estimate the whole cost of this work at \$5,000 to \$7,000. I have therefore to ask that special authority may be granted for this expenditure. The whole amount left unexpended of the vote for the Yale-Clinton Road is less than \$5,000, and it will take the whole of this to keep the road open for travel.

"I have, &c.,

"(Signed) B. W. PEARSE,

"Surveyor-General."

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for copies of Correspondence between the Government of the Province and the Government of Canada, referring to the appointment of County Court Judges for the Province.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office.
17th January, 1873.

The Lieutenant-Governor to the Hon. J. Howe.

No. 41.

20th March, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose herewith, for the information of His Excellency the Governor-General, a copy of an Address of the Legislative Assembly of this Province, praying that I would move the Government of Canada to appoint Barristers, or other persons learned in the law, as County Court Judges in British Columbia, in place of the present incumbents of those offices, who are not professionally so qualified.

Having laid the Address before my Responsible Ministers, I enclose also a certified extract from the Minutes of Executive Council, expressing their opinion in accordance with the prayer of this Address, and asking me to recommend the same, on behalf of this Government, to the favourable consideration of the Government of the Dominion. I have, therefore, much pleasure in forwarding this request, with the hope that His Excellency may deem it advisable to comply therewith. I have, &c.

(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Extract from Minutes of the Executive Council, held on the 11th March, 1872.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor laid before the Council an Address from the Legislative Assembly—reference appointment of professional men to County Court Bench.

The Council being of opinion that the suggestion of the Legislative Assembly should be carried into effect, it was agreed that His Excellency be requested to forward the Address to the Governor-General, recommending the same to the favourable consideration of the Dominion Government.

(Certified) JAS. JUDSON YOUNG,
Clerk Executive Council.

The Lieutenant-Governor to the Hon. J. Howe.

No. 54.

11th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit, for such action as His Excellency the Governor-General may be pleased to take thereon, duly authenticated copies of 33 Acts, the titles of which are set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed, to which I have this day, in the Legislative Assembly, declared my assent, in Her Majesty's name. I also enclose, for His Excellency's consideration, a copy of the Report of my Attorney-General on each of these several Bills.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Hon. J. Howe to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 62.

11th April, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 41, of the 20th ultimo, covering a copy of an Address presented to you by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, and of a Minute of your Executive Council, recommending the appointment of Barristers as County Court Judges in the Province, and submitting the same for the favourable consideration of the Government. Your Despatch, and its enclosures, will be duly laid before His Excellency the Governor-General. I have, &c.

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

The Lieutenant-Governor to the Hon. J. Howe.

No. 92.

November 21st, 1872.

SIR,—With reference to my Despatch, No. 41, of the 20th March last, forwarding a copy of an Address from the Legislative Assembly of this Province, urging that Barristers, or other persons learned in the law, should be appointed County Court Judges, in place of the present incumbents of those offices, who are not professionally qualified lawyers, and No. 54, of the 11th April last, transmitting, amongst other Acts passed and assented to during the last Session of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of an Act entitled the "County Court Judges' Appointment Act, 1872," I have the honor to enclose herewith, and to request that you will be good enough to submit for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General, a Minute of my Executive Council, expressing the views of this Government, to the effect that this Province should be divided into five County Court Districts, as defined in the said Minute and accompanying Map, and that a duly qualified member of the legal profession should be appointed as County Court Judge for each such District. I have, &c.

(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the 19th November, 1872.

On a Memorandum, dated 18th November, 1872, from the Honorable the Attorney-General, reporting on the "County Court Judges' Appointment Act, 1872," that in the 1st Section it is enacted that "Notwithstanding anything in the Imperial Statutes, or in the 'County Court Ordinance, 1867,' or any of them contained, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor-General of Canada, from time to time, to appoint any fit and proper persons as and to be County Court Judges for such parts of this Province as he shall, from time to time, in that behalf "direct or appoint."

The present County Court Judges, appointed as such before Union, have jurisdiction over the entire Province, although they respectively exercise such jurisdiction only over particular portions of the Province.

The Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, on the 5th day of March, 1872, recommended that not less than three professional gentlemen should be appointed to be County Court Judges, in lieu of the present occupants of office, who are not professional gentlemen.

With a view to carrying out this Resolution, if the Governor-General be so advised, and the convenient distribution of the duties of the Judges so to be appointed, the Honorable the Attorney-General recommends that the Province should be divided into five Districts:—

District No. 1,—The whole of Vancouver Island, the Electoral District of New Westminster, the Coast Range of British Columbia up to 54° parallel, and Queen Charlotte Island.

District No. 2,—The Electoral Districts of Yale and Lillooet.

District No. 3,—The Electoral District of Cariboo, excepting that portion North of the 54° parallel.

District No. 4,—The Electoral District of Kootenay.

District No. 5,—That portion of British Columbia North of the 54° parallel.

And that five professional gentlemen should be appointed as County Court Judges for these Districts respectively.

The Committee advise that the recommendation be approved.

(Certified) JAS. JUDSON YOUNG,
Clerk Executive Council.

The Hon. J. Howe to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 130.

16th December, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 92, of the 21st ultimo, transmitting, with reference to your Despatches No. 41 of the 20th March last, and No. 54 of the 11th April last, a copy of a Minute of your Executive Council, recommending that the Province of British Columbia be divided into Five County Court Districts, as defined in the said Minute and accompanying Map in your Despatch, and that a duly qualified member of the legal profession be appointed Judge for each such District. Your Despatch and its enclosures will be brought under the early notice of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

RETURN

Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly, dated 20th January, 1873, requesting copies of any correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Chief Justice respecting the disposition of the Reports of Grand Juries to be laid before the House.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

21st January, 1873.

Chief Justice Begbie to the Colonial Secretary.

VICTORIA, December 29th, 1871.

SIR,—I beg to hand you, for the information of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor the enclosed presentment which was made to me by the Grand Jury at the recent Nanaimo Assizes:

1. The inadequacy of the Police Force, consisting of one man, for a port and town like Nanaimo, with a gaol, and with the annexed extensive district of many miles of coast, and scattered settlers, is too obvious to require one word of comment, I believe also that from your own personal observation you are sufficiently aware of the circumstances to have formed the same opinion as the Grand Jury. I am sorry to say that there is reason to believe the criminals in many thefts and other offences in Nanaimo escape detection.

2. It is difficult, without a minute description or personal inspection, to form an idea of the gaol. It seems to unite most of the inconveniences, and to be wanting in every requisite, of a place of safe custody. It would be impossible for any number of constables to get an obstreperous prisoner inside, without having first reduced him to a state of insensibility; the only door being at the top of a narrow set of steps 5 or 6 feet high, where only 2 men can advance at a time, and without the slightest handrail—while on the other hand, any prisoner of ordinary bulk and activity (say, capable of walking 4 miles in an hour) could if allowed access to the lavatory or latrines (within the building) place himself on the outside and take with him if he choose a reasonable sized portmanteau in 20 or 30 seconds (estimated). The place must from time to time in every ordinary winter be utterly uninhabitable by any human being. From every side objects of considerable bulk can with the utmost facility be projected into the interior; and from one side into the interior of every cell. A chain and post in the open air might probably be infinitely more comfortable and secure.

3. The repairs and alterations at the Court House, so as to make it weather-tight and better adapted for its present purposes, are, though important, of a very slight nature; probably \$50 or \$60 might suffice.

4. The state of the landing place, mentioned by the Grand Jury, deserves, in my opinion, early and practical attention. Here again the cost would be very light; the present place might be probably made safe for a few dollars, by simply restoring the broken planks. What the cost of complying with the Grand Jury's suggestions would be, I am quite unable to say; but probably it would be no large sum. The accommodation to the town and district, and indeed the necessity of even the present landing, is apparent from the fact that it is the only place for miles where even a canoe can land passengers dry-shod at all tides. Any officer of any of the men-of-war using the port could give a Report; but I believe that in this case also, Sir, your personal observation will support these remarks.

It is not of course for me to offer the slightest suggestion in reference to the above, but a casual observer might say, that if Nanaimo were a borough town, and no question of Admiralty rights intervened, the cost, at all events of any such boat-pier or additional constable should be defrayed from local sources—being used and intended wholly for local accommodation,—but that under the circumstances it might perhaps be arranged to place \$100 on the Estimates for meeting the third and fourth of the Grand Jury's presentments.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) MATT. B. BEGBIE, C. J.

The Provincial Secretary to Chief Justice Begbie.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

January 5th, 1872.

SIR,—I am directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult., and to acquaint you that the presentment of the Grand Jury, at the recent Assizes at Nanaimo, therein transmitted, will be forwarded to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for his attention.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) A. R. ROBERTSON,
Provincial Secretary.

Chief Justice Begbie to the Provincial Secretary.

COURT HOUSE, VICTORIA,

15th January, 1873.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the Grand Jury Report, made at the last Assize at New Westminster.

I have not any comment to make upon it, except this: that I am not at present aware of any case having ever occurred (though the Grand Jury appear to allege that there have been many) where a prisoner has had to await his trial for more than six months, owing to the irregularity of the dates fixed for the Assizes on the Mainland; or where, owing to the same cause, a Grand Jury have been unable to find a true bill. In fact, I do not think that the Assizes have been more irregular than the seasons, or the locality or statistics of population, or crime, or finance; all of which have to be dealt with, in order to approach a real uniformity, in a uniformity of utility. A date or a programme of one year may be impossible or useless in another.

The water supply mentioned by the Grand Jury would probably be, so far as I am entitled to any opinion, a very useful and economical expenditure; but I do not know that this, or indeed any of the suggestions made by the Grand Jury is within the powers of the Provincial Government. It seems rather within the functions of the Dominion authorities, and I have been in doubt whether I ought to trouble you with this presentment at all.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) MATT. B. BEGBIE, C. J.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, calling for the Report of the Commission appointed last Session to enquire into the condition of Victoria Gaol, together with a statement showing how far the recommendations of said Report have been, or are about to be, complied with.

By Command.

GEO. A. WALKEM,
Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Office.
28th January, 1873.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED TO INSPECT THE CONDITION OF THE VICTORIA GAOL.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

Tuesday, the 19th March, having been appointed for the inspection of the Victoria Gaol, Messieurs Trimble, McCreight, Robson, Duck, and Hunter attended there on that day for that purpose.

The Commissioners first inspected the Cells where prisoners are confined, and beg to report on them as follows:—

Cell No. 1 is 8 feet high, 12 feet long, and 6 feet wide. Seven prisoners were, on the 19th March, and sometimes eight are, confined there. The window is 18 inches square, and the wicket 7 by 6 inches.

Cell No. 2 is 12 feet long, 8 feet high, and 5 feet wide. Five prisoners were, on the 19th March, confined in this cell, but it usually contains six prisoners. The window is 18 inches square, and the wicket 7 by 6 inches.

Cell No. 3 is 12 feet long, 8 feet high, and 6 feet wide. Five prisoners were, on the 19th March, confined in this cell; the average is six. The windows, and wicket, are of the same size as those of other cells.

Cell No. 4 is 10 feet long, 8 feet high, and 6 feet wide. The window is 13 by 18 inches, and the wicket of the same size. Four prisoners were confined here on the 19th March, but the average is five.

Cell No. 5 is 13 feet long, 8 feet high, and 6 feet wide. The window is 13 by 18 inches, and the wicket of the same size. Five prisoners were confined here on the 19th March, but the average number is six.

Cell No. 6 is 12 feet long, 8 feet wide, and the window is 18 by 18 inches. The wicket is 13 by 18 inches. Five prisoners were confined here on the 19th March, but the average number is six.

Cell No. 7 is the receiving cell, and is 13 feet long, 8 feet high, and 6 feet wide. The window is 18 by 18 inches, and the wicket is 13 by 18 inches. The number of prisoners confined in this cell, on the 19th March, was three; the average number is five or six.

Cell No. 8 is 13 feet long, 7 feet 6 inches high, and 6 feet wide. Window 18 by 18 inches; wicket 13 by 18 inches. The average number confined here is five.

Debtors' Room.—This is a large spare room, 22 feet by 15 feet, but unfit for prisoners.

The Armory room is very insecure.

There are four cells near the Armory, 7 feet square by 14 feet high. At the time of the inspection, three prisoners were in some and two in others; the average number is three. The ventilation of these cells is very bad, and should be improved.

Three meals a day are supplied to the prisoners:—

For Breakfast, 1 pint of Coffee, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of bread.

Dinner.—The prisoners are supplied with fresh meat every day, of good quality: 12 oz. (weight when uncooked) to each prisoner undergoing hard labour, and 6 oz. to prisoners not undergoing hard labour; potatoes; 1 pint soup; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. bread; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tea; $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. sugar.

Supper.—1 pint tea; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. bread; no butter.

There were 56 prisoners on the 19th March confined in the Gaol, including lunatics. The present number (May 16th) is 46, of whom 5 are lunatics, 2 being females.

The Commissioners recommend that the cesspools should have carbolic acid applied every day, and that the privies, and drains, and floors of the cells should be sprinkled therewith.

The privies should have draw-boxes on rollers. The present privy is 13 feet deep, and is emptied but once a year.

The cistern near the cells has not been used for a long time, and should be filled up to prevent the effluvia therefrom.

The cesspool, 13 feet deep, should be emptied and filled up.

The water used in the Gaol is brought from Spring Ridge, and there is in general an ample supply.

The Gaol kitchen is very good and exceedingly clean.

There were four lunatics, each in a cell by himself; two of the cells are dark and very badly ventilated.

There were two other lunatics; one confined with two Chinamen, the other with one Chinaman.

The roof of the whole brick building is out of repair.

The officers' quarters are good.

There are three female lunatics; two of them are confined in the Gaol room, which is clean and airy. These are the best quarters in the prison, except the female superintendent's. The floor wants repairing.

The whole Gaol is as clean as possible under the circumstances, and considering the small amount of space at command. It is very insecure, and without vigilant guards there would be frequent escapes.

Of late a certain number of prisoners, who would otherwise have been detained in Victoria Gaol, have been sent to New Westminster; and we should recommend the continuance of this course whenever the relative numbers in the two gaols render it advisable.

There are now five male and two female lunatics in the prison. When arrangements are completed for taking over the lunatics to the Hospital, as well as rich prisoners who are not in custody on very serious charges, or under long sentences, the accommodation in the gaol will be greatly relieved.

It may be a question with the next Legislative Assembly whether in view of the Penitentiary being erected, which will take charge of all prisoners whose sentences exceed a period of two years, any serious expense should be incurred in enlarging the gaol.

We should recommend the repair of the roof of the brick building, and the strengthening of the outside wall to prevent escapes.

JNO. ROBSON,
JAS. TRIMBLE,
JOS. HUNTER,
J. F. MCCREIGHT,
SIMEON DUOK.

Statement showing what alterations have been carried out in accordance with the recommendations made by the Commissioners appointed to inquire into and report on the condition of the Victoria Gaol.

On the 27th of September last, 20 prisoners were sent up to the Gaol at New Westminster, 20 having been previously sent up on the 29th February last.

The 7 lunatics heretofore confined in the Gaol, were removed to the Insane Assylum on the 12th October last.

A new roof has been placed on the brick portion of the Gaol, and the outer fence has been heightened four feet.

The cesspools have been filled up.

The privies have been greatly improved; draw-boxes, made of zinc, have been constructed, and placed in them, which are cleaned out twice a week.

Two urinal boxes have been made—one in the main and one in the outer yard; and two drains have been made to connect with the Bastion Street drain.

A new foundation, sills, and floor have been put to the inner building, and the earth underneath the floor has been lowered 2 feet, and ventilators placed under the floors, so that the cell floors are kept dry, and a current of air is constantly passing underneath.

Ventilators have been placed in the window of each cell of the brick portion of the building, and the inner building is now well ventilated.

The kitchen has been newly roofed, and a new foundation and sills placed under it.

The Gaoler's quarters have been enlarged, and a fire place and brick chimney erected in the inner building.

There are at present 50 prisoners in the Gaol.

GEO. A. WALKER,
Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Office,
27th January, 1873.

MESSAGE.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of correspondence between himself and the Secretary of State for the Provinces, in relation to the Address of the Assembly to him last Session on the subject of the Boundary Line between this Province and Alaska.

*Government House, Victoria,
February 11th, 1873.*

The Lieutenant-Governor to the Hon. J. Howe.

No. 69.

11th July, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward herewith, for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General, a copy of an Address to me from the Legislative Assembly of this Province, praying that steps may be taken to have the Boundary Line between British Columbia and Alaska defined at an early date.

I have deferred the transmission of this Address until I could obtain the opinion of my Government on the subject matter thereof, which is expressed in the Minute of Executive Council herewith enclosed.

The Boundary Line between the British Possessions in North America and the present United States Territory of Alaska, formerly Russian America, is laid down in the Convention of 1825, Articles 3 and 4.

But the description therein given of this line of demarcation is not so clearly defined as to render it readily traceable on the ground. The initial point of the line on the Mainland is debatable, and the line of demarcation thence following the summit of the Coast Range of Mountains to the 141st meridian west (but limited, whenever such summit shall be found to be more than ten marine leagues from the Ocean, to a line drawn parallel to the coast, and at a distance of ten marine leagues therefrom, and following all the sinuosities thereof) cannot practically be determined.

I therefore concur with my Ministers in thinking that it is desirable that some more clearly marked and more definitely ascertained line should be substituted for that described in the Convention above referred to. But although it certainly is advisable that attention should be called to this subject, in order that steps may be taken to prevent any occasion for dispute hereafter, I am not aware of any circumstances which appear to render the immediate adjustment of this matter urgent.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 97.

27th July, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 69, of the 11th instant, covering a copy of an Address to you from the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, together with a copy of a Report of your Executive Council thereon, praying that steps may be taken to have the Boundary Line between Alaska and British Columbia defined at an early date. Your Despatch and its enclosures will receive early consideration.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) G. POWELL,
for Under Secretary.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 106.

September 28th, 1872.

SIR,—With reference to your Despatch No. 69, of the 11th July last, and its enclosures, I have the honor to transmit to you herewith, for the information of your Government, a copy of an Order of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the Address of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, praying that the Boundary Line between that Province and the Territory of Alaska may be properly defined.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

E. A. MEREDITH,

Under Secretary.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 20th September, 1872.

The Committee have had under consideration a Despatch, dated the 11th July, from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, covering the copy of an Address from his Legislative Assembly, requesting that "inasmuch as recent discoveries in the northern part of British Columbia give good reason to believe that extensive mining operations will shortly be established in that region, and inasmuch as the Boundary line between the adjoining Territories of Alaska and the said Province of British Columbia has never been properly defined, and inasmuch as it will materially assist in maintaining peace, order, and good government within the said Province to have the Boundary line properly laid down, he will be pleased to take such steps as may call the attention of the Dominion Government to the necessity of some action being taken at an early date to have the Boundary line properly defined;" also covering the copy of an Order in Council of his Government, dated the 5th July last, in favour of action, at an early date, to have the said Boundary line properly defined, and advising that the said Resolution be forwarded to the Dominion Government, with the request of the Provincial Government that such action may be taken as may be necessary to carry out the wishes of the Provincial Legislature.

The above Despatch and enclosures having been referred to the Honorable the Secretary of State, he reports that recognizing the importance of the measure in question, in which the Imperial Government is interested also in the same manner as in the settlement of the International Boundary on the 49th Parallel of North Latitude, he recommends that Her Majesty's Government be communicated with, and respectfully requested to take the necessary steps to have the Boundary under consideration determined and marked.

The Committee concur in the above Report, and submit the same for your Excellency's approval.

(Certified)

W. A. HIMSWORTH,

Clerk, Privy Council.

MESSAGE.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of correspondence between himself and the Secretary of State for the Provinces, in relation to the Address of the Assembly to him, last Session, on the subject of the collection of a Poll Tax on British subjects entering California by sea.

Government House, Victoria,

February 11th, 1873.

The Lieutenant-Governor to the Hon. J. Howe.

No. 21.

28th February, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose herewith a certified extract from the Minutes of my Executive Council, together with a copy of the Address to me, therein referred to, from the Legislative Assembly of this Province, which I am requested to forward for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General.

The Tax complained of, is virtually levied in Victoria, inasmuch that the sum of \$5, in addition to the ordinary passage money, is demanded by the Agents of the Steamer now carrying Her Majesty's Mails between San Francisco and Victoria, under contract with the Postmaster-General of Canada, from all persons not being citizens of United States, taking passage from this Province for San Francisco, as a Poll Tax payable to the State of California by every alien entering that State. This practice on the part of the Agents of the Steamer running between this Port and San Francisco, has prevailed for years past, and British subjects have thus been compelled to pay this Tax even before they left this Province, as otherwise they could not obtain passage tickets, without which they were not admitted on board the Steamer. I am informed, and it is generally believed (although I have not the means at hand to sustain that belief, the Attorney-General being unable to give a decided opinion on the subject, without referring to Acts of Congress, of which no copies exist in the Province), that this State Tax is contrary to the Federal Laws of the United States; and that this position has been maintained by the United States Courts in California. But to contest the legality of this Tax is most inconvenient to strangers arriving in the State from foreign countries, so that the imposition of the Tax is generally submitted to as a lesser evil than the annoyance and detention which an appeal to the Courts would necessarily entail; and in the case of persons, not being citizens of the United States, going to California from this Province, the payment of the Tax is rendered compulsory, and without redress, by the process above mentioned, adopted for its collection.

It would be of material benefit to the people of this Province if the collection of this Tax should be discontinued, and I shall therefore be glad if His Excellency the Governor-General should be moved to take the steps towards that end, which are prayed for by my Ministers.

I have, &c.

(Signed) JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Extract from Minutes of the Executive Council, held on the 26th February, 1872.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor laid before the Council an Address from the Legislative Assembly to him, praying that early steps be taken for the purpose of inquiring into the constitutionality of the collection of a Poll Tax by the State of California, from British subjects entering that State.

After consultation, agreed that His Excellency be requested to forward the same to the Governor-General, praying him to communicate the same to the Imperial Government, with request that if this Tax be unconstitutional, steps may be taken to prevent the collection of such a Tax in future.

(Certified) JAS. JUDSON YOUNG,
Clerk Executive Council.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 44.

22nd March, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 21, of the 28th ultimo, covering a certified extract from the Minutes of your Executive Council, together with a copy of the Address to you from the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, praying that early steps may be taken to enquire into the unconstitutionality of the collection of a Poll Tax by the State of California, from British subjects entering that State.

Your Despatch and its enclosures will be brought under the early consideration of His Excellency.

I have, etc.,
(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 112.

16th October, 1872.

SIR,—Adverting to your Despatch No. 21, of the 28th February last, and its enclosures (2), I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of your Government, that His Excellency the Governor-General in Council has been pleased, in pursuance of their suggestion, to direct that the subject referred to in the Address of the Legislative Assembly enclosed in your Despatch, viz: the constitutionality of the collection by the Government of the State of California, of a Poll Tax from British subjects entering that State be brought under the notice of Her Majesty's Government.

A copy of your Despatch and its enclosures will, accordingly, be transmitted by His Excellency to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

I have, etc.,
(Signed)

E. A. MEREDITH.

*Under Secretary.**The Lieutenant-Governor to the Secretary of State.*

No. 84.

November 6th, 1872.

SIR,—With reference to your Despatch No. 112, of the 16th ultimo, I have the honor to state for the information of His Excellency the Governor-General, that I have learned to-day that the Tax to which your said Despatch refers is no longer levied. The imposition thereof having been discontinued on the ground of its unconstitutionality. This information has just been laid before me by the Honorable the Provincial Secretary, having been communicated to him to-day by the United States Consul of this port. As I have thought it of sufficient importance to be made known to His Excellency forthwith by telegram, a telegram was addressed to you, of which the following is a copy:—

“ VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

“ November 6th, 1872.

“ *The Honorable J. Howe.*“ *Ottawa, Canada.*

“ I have just learned that the Tax to which your Despatch No. 109 refers, is no longer imposed.

“ (Signed)

J. W. T.”

I have, &c.,
(Signed)

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

No. 122.

27th November, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 84, of the 6th instant, stating with reference to previous correspondence on the subject, that the imposition of the Tax referred to in your Despatch No. 21, of the 28th February last, had been discontinued on the ground of its unconstitutionality.

Your Despatch will be brought under the early notice of His Excellency the Governor-General.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a copy of the papers and Correspondence between the Government and settlers of Yale-Lytton District, in connection with Roads, Trails, and Bridges.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Office,

12th February, 1873.

Mr. Mara M. P. P., to the Surveyor-General

KAMLOOPS, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

May 18th, 1872.

DEAR SIR.—Mr. Donald McPheeson is willing to undertake the construction of a trail through Eagle Pass, according to your specifications, from the North Fork of Eagle River (to which point it is navigable for large boats all the year round) to the Columbia River, for the sum of four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$84,00).

On the summit Lake he proposes to build a small scow, as advised by Mr. Moberly, the banks being too steep to make a trail, unless heavy blasting were done.

He offers as security for the performance of the work, Mr. W. Chase and Mr. J. Duck, two good men of this place.

Mr. McPheeson is an old contractor and a thoroughly reliable man. I can confidently recommend him to you.

Hoping that his offer will be satisfactory.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JOHN A. MARA.

Mr. Clapperton, J. P., to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

LYTTON, July 22nd, 1872.

SIR,—If I am not mistaken, this Mail bears a Petition, addressed to His Excellency the Governor, and signed by most of the Settlers at Nicola, praying that the money voted last Session for the purpose of bridging Nicola and commencing a new road, be spent in making a road from head of Lake through the Settlement, as far as it goes. Mr. Dalley and myself refused to sign the Petition, as we considered the idea absurd, and entirely aside from the purpose for which the money was granted.

I am told the Bridge is to be built across Nicola, at the mouth, so that it may serve three or four Settlers on Thompson River, as well as the Nicola people. If such is the case, I am sorry to tell Mr. Walkem, that the Bridge would be of no earthly use to Nicola Valley, unless a road or trail was constructed from mouth of Nicola, joining present Nicomen (or Lytton) trail some 14 miles up the river. A bridge across Nicola, to give us communication with Lytton, is at present indispensable for the convenience of Settlers and the public at large, and I think a portion of the present unexpended appropriation would be judiciously spent in relieving that absolute want, than in making a road between a few houses in the interior of the Settlement. A Bridge built about 16 miles up Nicola, connecting Lytton with trail to Settlement would be utilized when new road was opened.

Last week, Mr. Stephens, C. E., came across to my place, from Kamloops, for the purpose of exploring route of contemplated road. Mr. Stephens being ignorant of the country he wished to travel, courtesy and duty compelled me to offer my services. We spent the last three days in the mountains, and I join him again to-morrow, to complete the examination.

The making of a road to Nicola, by the cheapest route, will cost a large sum. I do not expect to see it completed for some years, which makes certain communication with Lytton in summer as well as winter still more imperative.

Presuming that His Excellency will place the Nicola Petition before Mr. Walkem, is my reason for thus intruding on your time and patience.

Hoping the erection of a bridge across Nicola, connecting or rather completing present communication with Lytton, will meet with His Excellency's and Mr. Walkem's favorable consideration.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JNO. CLAPPERTON.

Petition to His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Trutch.

May it please your Excellency.

The petition of the undersigned settlers in Nicola Lake Valley humbly sheweth:—

That whereas, at the last session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, an appropriation was made for improving the means of communication between Fort Yale and Cariboo.

And whereas, the appropriation so made was utterly insufficient to complete a waggon road for the whole distance.

And whereas, the greater portion of the expense of constructing the said waggon road will be incurred by the building of that portion lying nearest the Yale and Cariboo road.

Your petitioners would therefore pray, that your Excellency would order, that the money to be spent this season should be expended in the settled portion of the district, commencing at the head of Nicola Lake, and extending downwards as far as the money to be expended will allow.

Your petitioners believe that by having the money so expended, they would receive an immediate benefit, while if it were spent on the lower portion it would be absolutely useless to any one until the upper part was completed.

And further your petitioners would pray, that should the money to be expended complete the road further than where the present trail crosses the Nicola River, your Excellency would order that the road should be continued to Nicomen, as they believe this to be the cheapest and most practical route, beside being the most convenient for getting our produce to market.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

(Signed) ALEXANDER ROEB,
" FLORIAN MICKLE,
" J. P. MOORE,
" AND 22 OTHERS.

The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to Mr. Clapperton, J. P.

LANDS & WORKS OFFICE, VICTORIA,
August 15th, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, relative to the road, &c., in the Nicola Settlement, and to the Petition to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, numerously signed by the Settlers; and I beg to inform you that I shall place both the Petition and your letter before the Executive Council, upon His Excellency's return from Skeena.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. A. WALKEM.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly calling for copies of all the Tenders and all correspondence (if any) in respect of the building of the new Court House at New Westminster.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands & Works Office,

19th February, 1873.

Copy of Telegram to F. G. Claudet, Esq., Stipendiary Magistrate, New Westminster.

Scaled Tenders will be received, on or before Thursday, the 28th November, 1872, for the construction of a Court House at New Westminster, according to the plans and specifications to be seen at the Land Office, Victoria, and at the office of the Clerk of the Bench, New Westminster.

(Signed) GEO. A. WALKER,
C. C. L. & W.

Lands and Works Department,
November 18th, 1872.

Mr. Claudet will please have the above inserted in both New Westminster papers.

(Signed) GEO. A. W.

Copies of Tenders received by Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Langley, November 25th 1872.

Judging from the very imperfect plans, would undertake to erect the Court House at New Westminster, for the sum of four thousand four hundred dollars (\$4,400), provided there was time enough given to procure seasoned material to do the work in a proper manner.

(Signed) J. KENNEDY.

Victoria, November 25th, 1872.

I hereby tender for the building of the Court House at New Westminster, to complete the whole work as per plans and specifications, for the sum of thirty-one hundred dollars (\$3,100).

(Signed) G. BILLINGS.

Victoria, November 28th, 1872.

I hereby propose to erect the Court House at New Westminster, by the plans and specifications as provided, for the sum of two thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$2,975).

(Signed) J. PARKER.

Victoria, November 25th, 1872.

I hereby tender for the construction of the Court House at New Westminster, in accordance with the plans and specifications furnished, providing and furnishing all labour, workmanship, and materials, and completing the whole work to the satisfaction of yourself or the superintendent in charge, for the sum of three thousand two hundred and eighty dollars (\$3,280).

(Signed) MALCOLM MUNRO.

New Westminster, Nov. 28th, 1872.

In accordance with notice for tenders for Court House at New Westminster, B. C., I hereby offer to erect the same strictly in accordance with plans and specifications, as shewn in Assistant Commissioner's Office here, for the sum of \$3,950 (three thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars).

(Signed) R. W. DEANE.

Victoria, November 28th, 1872.

I propose to furnish materials and labour to build Court House at New Westminster, agreeable to plans and specifications, for the sum of three thousand seven hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$3,725).

(Signed) D. F. ADAMS.

Victoria, November 28th, 1872.

I wish to correct my tender of this date. Instead of three thousand seven hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$3,725), it should be three thousand seven hundred and seventy-five (\$3,775).

(Signed) D. F. ADAMS.

New Westminster, Nov, 27th, 1872.

The undersigned agrees to build a Court House, according to plans and specifications, at New Westminster, for the sum of three thousand seven hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$3,795).

(Signed) D. WITHROW.

Victoria, November 28th, 1872.

We will furnish all material and labour necessary for the completion of Court House, New Westminster, according to plans and specifications, in a satisfactory manner, for the sum of three thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$3,850).

(Signed) MUIRHEAD & BRUCE,
Contractors.

Mr. Howse to Mr. J. Parker, Victoria.

Lands and Works Office,
2nd December, 1872.

SIR,—I am directed by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to inform you that your tender, namely \$2,975, for the erection of the Court House at New Westminster, has been accepted by Government, and have to request your attendance at this office as soon as possible, to sign the specification and agreement. I have, &c.

(Signed) A. R. HOWSE.

Mr. Scott to Mr. R. W. Deane, New Westminster.

Office of Lands and Works,
December 17th, 1872.

SIR,—I am directed to inform you that the Chief Commissioner has appointed you to superintend the erection of the New Westminster Court House. You are to inspect the work as often as necessary to ensure that all material and workmanship be of the best quality, and that the entire work be carried out in accordance with the plans and specifications, and to perform such other duties as belong to the office of superintendent.

Your remuneration to be at the rate of two per cent. on the contract, for a full and complete supervision. I remain, &c.

(Signed) CONWAY SCOTT, C. E.

P.S.—Copies of plans and specifications are forwarded to you per steamer.

Tender for altering front of Court House.

Victoria, January, 1873.

I hereby offer to change the front of the New Westminster Court House, so that the elevation shown on drawing may face the river, and increase the number of steps to suit the ground,

for the sum of three hundred dollars, and to complete the same in the specified time, and that this proposal will not in any way affect the original contract, but will be considered in extension of same.

(Signed) MALCOLM MUNRO.

Specification of alterations and additions to be made in the New Westminster Court House.

The front of Court House to be changed so that the elevation shewn in the drawing may face the Fraser River, and the present back elevation be made to face on Market Square; to increase the number of steps on the new river front to suit the increased depth of ground; to make any other alteration rendered necessary by the change of front, in order that the arrangements of the Court House be undisturbed, and that it be in every respect as originally specified, except the change of front.

That this additional work will in no manner affect the original contract, but will be considered an extension of same, as authorized by original specification.

That all the drawings, detail or otherwise, and all the clauses of specification of Court House be binding on contractor, in respect to these alterations and additions.

That all these alterations and additions be completed on or before 6th of May, 1873.

(Signed) ROBERT BEAVEN.

I agree to this specification.

Witness present:

(Signed) CONWAY SCOTT.

(Signed) MALCOLM MUNRO.

Copy of Telegram to Mr. R. W. Deane.

Victoria, 17th January, 1873.

Munro is not to reduce size of windows on the whole, but can put in eight lights instead of four. Will not you spoil inside of building by leaving out partition? Will write you.

(Signed) R. BEAVEN.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, of this date, for a copy of the Despatch relating to Act No. 4 of last Session.

By Command.

GEO. A. WALKEM,

Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Office.

3rd February, 1873.

The Secretary of State to the Lieutenant-Governor.

OTTAWA, 26th December, 1872.

SIR:

I have the honor to inform you that the Governor-General has had under his consideration in Council, an Act passed by the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia at its first Session, 35 Vic: No. 4., entitled "An Act to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional papers."

His Excellency is advised that the Act in question is a transcript of the Act of the Province of Ontario, 32 Vic: Cap 3, 1868. The latter Act was referred to the Law Officers of the Crown in England, who gave it as their opinion, that it was not competent for the local Legislature to pass it, and that it was inconsistent with the provisions of Sections 92 and 96 of "The British North America Act 1867."

Under these circumstances the Act of the Ontario Legislature was disallowed by His Excellency's Proclamation.

I have therefore to request you to bring the Act in question, under the notice of your Executive Council, with a view to their considering the advisableness of repealing the Act during the second Session of the Legislature of British Columbia.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

Secretary of State for the Provinces.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return showing in detail what amount has been expended, and to whom paid, and for what services rendered, of the sum of \$7,000 voted last Session, for the purpose of making surveys, preparing plans and specifications, in regard to supplying Victoria City with water.

By Command,

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT,
20th January, 1873.

Date.	To Whom Paid.	For What Service.	Amount expended	Total.
May	E. B. Marvin.....	Chains for Surveyors.....	11 50	11 50
June	T. N. Hibben.....	Stationery, &c.....	19 12	
	J. Sehl.....	Furniture for Office.....	25 50	270 46
	A. & W. Wilson	Tinware and tools for party.....	58 87	
	R. Jenkinson.....	Provisions for Survey party.....	73 47	
	Chinamen.....	Wages.....	62 50	
	E. Marvin.....	Tents for Surveyors.....	31 00	
July	Pay Sheet.....	Homfray's party.....	190 32	960 94
	W. Newberry.....	Billhook.....	5 00	
	R. W. Savage.....	Cart hire.....	13 50	
	E. Harrison.....	Paints, &c.....	2 37	
	Pay Sheet.....	Homfray's party.....	250 00	
	E. Grancini.....	Tools for Surveyors.....	7 00	
	A. Fellows.....	do do.....	7 75	
	Thos. A. Bulkley.....	Proportion of 3 months' salary.....	485 00	
August.....	T. Westgarth.....	Draftsman in Office.....	82 50	1547 20
	G. Jenkinson.....	Groceries, &c., for Surveyors.....	112 94	
	W. H. Snider.....	Team hire.....	10 00	
	J. W. Williams.....	Horse hire for Chief Engineer.....	14 75	
	Thos. A. Bulkley.....	Proportion of pay for 1 month.....	161 67	
	Pay Sheet.....	Homfray's party.....	1110 34	
	J. Westgarth.....	Draftsman in Office.....	55 00	
September	H. R. Young.....	Board for 3 men.....	13 50	36 80
	R. W. Savage.....	Removing Camp.....	6 00	
	G. Jenkinson.....	Provisions, &c., for Surveyors.....	17 30	
October	J. McDowell.....	Making packing case.....	2 50	347 36
	T. N. Hibben.....	Stationery, &c.....	33 19	
	R. Homfray.....	Pay for month.....	150 00	
	Thos. A. Bulkley.....	Proportion of pay for month.....	161 67	
November	R. Homfray.....	One months' pay.....	150 00	3174 26
	Eden White.....	Board for Mr. Homfray.....	110 00	
		Carried forward.....	260 00	

Date.	To Whom Paid.	For What Service	Amount expended	Total.
		<i>Brought forward</i>	260 00	3174 26
	D. Deasy.....	Cleaning office.....	5 00	
	F. Reynolds.....	Butcher's meat for Surveyors.....	155 15	
	R. T. Williams.....	Mounting plans.....	17 60	
	Thos. A. Bulkley.....	Proportion of pay for month.....	161 67	
	J. Sehl.....	Office furniture.....	5 00	
	T. Westgarth.....	Draftsman in office.....	70 67	675 09
December	Matthews & Richards	Iron Ware.....	3 75	
	R. Homfray.....	Disbursements Repaid.....	81 60	
	do	Pay and Board.....	240 25	
	J. W. Williams.....	Horse hire for Chief Engineer.....	8 50	
	D. Deasy.....	Office cleaner.....	5 84	
	R. T. Williams.....	Book-binding, &c.....	30 00	
	Eden White.....	Board for R. Homfray.....	30 50	
	Turner & Co.....	Sheeting for mounting maps.....	2 75	
	T. H. Long.....	Printing Engineer's report.....	50 00	
	R. Homfray.....	Salary 1 month	150 00	
	Thos. A. Bulkley....	Proportion pay balance of year.....	203 39	
	R. T. Williams.....	Bookbinding &c.....	102 50	
	T. N. Hibben.....	Stationery, &c.....	190 75	
	Thos. Storey.....	Carpenter work in Office.....	2 06	1101 29
		Total Expenditure to date, 31st December, 1872.....		4950 64

NOTE.—The pay of the Chief Engineer for the month of September was all charged against the Alexandra Bridge repairs, which service that officer was exclusively engaged in during the month.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of Indian Reserves.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands & Works Office,

13th January, 1873.

RETURN of all INDIAN RESERVES (Surveyed) in the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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LOCALITY AND SHORT DESCRIPTION.	RANGE.	SECTION.	ACREAGE.	TRIBE TO WHICH NATIVES BELONG.	REMARKS.	
VANCOUVER ISLAND DISTRICTS.						
Esquimalt District (Esquimalt Harbour).....	.....	XXV.	47		Part of this Reserve has been leased to white men. See Appendix 1.
Do. (Victoria Harbour) .....	.....	CXIX.	112	Songhees	
Sooke District (Mouth of Sooke River, left bank).....	.....	VIII.	60	Sooke.	
North Saanich District	I. W.	15 N.	69	Tsaiukm.		
Do.	I. & II. W.	4 & 5 N.	315.02			
South Saanich District .....	.....	7, 8, & 9 S.	494	Chawilp.	
Do.	IV., V., & VI. E.	6, 7, & 8 S.	727	Tetaihit.		
Cowichan District	I.	11 to 17 inclusive	.....	Quamichan.	Vide Appendix 2.
Do.	II.	12 to 16 "	.....	Clemelemaluts	
Do.	III.	14, 15, & 16, excluding 20 ac. P. Brennan .....	.....	Comiaken and Karmutzen.	
Quamichan District	V.	15 & 16	2675	} Somenos.		
Do.	VI.	15 & 16				
Do.	VII.	N.E. portion of 10, E. portion of 11, & S. 14	.....	Quamichan (part of).	
Do.	VIII.	N. 1/4 Sec. 10, 11 & 13 to 17 inclusive .....	.....	Kokesailah.	
Chemainis District	VII.	5	100	Halats.		
Do.	VIII.	E. part of 6	30	} Penalahuts.		
Do. (Large Island lying off Mouth of Chemainis River) .....	.....	.....	139		
Nanaimo District (Reserve W. side of Harbour) .....	.....	.....	40	.....	Indian Schools and Missions on this Reserve, of all demominations.
Do. (Mouth of Nanaimo R., W. side) .....	.....	.....	131		
Do. Do. E. side	VI.	Sec. 1, part E. of River	273	} Nanaimo.		
Do.	VII.	1				
Cranberry District	"	19 & 20, E. of River	.....		
NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.						
Burrard Inlet, Junction of 1st Narrows and Kapilana Creek .....	.....	.....	165		
Burrard Inlet .....	.....	.....	112.46		
Do. ....	.....	.....	37.45		
Do. ....	.....	.....	37		
North side of Fraser River, near Mouth of Coquitlam River .....	.....	.....	1		
Next Reserve, farther up Coquitlam River .....	.....	.....	18.40		
Coquitlam River, 200 yards from Fraser River .....	.....	.....	6.50		
North Arm of Fraser River .....	.....	.....	342	Musqueam.	
West bank of Harrison River .....	.....	.....	626	Chehalis.	
Left bank of Fraser River, 1 1/2 miles from Harrison River .....	.....	.....	658		
Right bank of Fraser River .....	.....	.....	92	Whanock.	
Left bank do. ....	.....	.....	96	Matsqui.	

Indian Reserves.

Left bank of Fraser River	52	Matsqui.
Do. do.	108	Katzie.
Sumass River, near Chadsey's Slough	43	} Sumass.
Upper Sumass River	440	
Right bank of Fraser River, near junction with Nicoamen Slough	32	Clatwass.
Nicoamen Slough	86	Scowlitz.
Junction of Harrison and Fraser Rivers.....	330	Nicoamen.
Right bank of Nicoamen Slough	109	Squeeam.
Left bank of do., at junction with Small Slough	73	

YALE DISTRICT.

Left bank of Fraser River, about 10 miles below Hope	488.50	Ohaunil.
Do. do. 20 do.	375	Cheeam.
Do. do. 18 do.	369	Popkum.
Do. do. 13 do.	380	Squatits.
Greenwood Island, opposite Hope.....	10	
Left bank of Thompson River, at junction with Fraser, just outside of Lytton.....	14	
South-east of Lytton	12	
Left bank of Fraser, 2 miles North of Lytton	18	
Right bank of Fraser River, 20 miles above Lytton.....	111	Nickelpalm.
Do. do. 5 do.	297	Stryem.
Between 35 and 36 mile post on Waggon Road (Boothroyd's Flat).....	204.50	Shoo-ok.
Left bank of Fraser River, between 42 and 43 mile post on Waggon Road	40	Sta-ujah-hamig.
Right bank of Fraser River, 1½ miles below Lytton	100	Macaiya.
Do. do. 1½ " above "	30	Nohomeen.
Left bank do. Waggon Road	58	Skopah.
Right bank do. Yankee Flat, 2½ miles above Boston Bar	205	Kopachicken.
Left bank do. Junction of Anderson River, 24 mile post	82	
Do. do. between 16 and 17 mile post, Waggon Road.....	81	
Do. do. about ¼ mile below Alexandra Bridge, and same distance inland	19	
Right bank do. between 9 and 10 mile post, Waggon Road	110	Spuzzem.
Left bank do. 2 miles below Alexandra Bridge, about 1 mile inland.....	51	
Right bank of Similkameen River, Vermillion Forks.....	21	
Left bank do. do.	342	
Left bank do. about ½ way between Princeton and Kereneous	1028	
Right bank of Fraser River, 4 miles below Yale (Albert Flat).....	163.50	
Do. do. 7 miles below Hope.....	135	Skowall.
Small Valley, about 1 mile from Spellumcheen River.....	200	} Spellumcheen.
Left bank of Spellumcheen River	18.50	
Junction of Nicolai and Thompson Rivers.....	30.50	Nicolai.
Left bank of Fraser River, between 67 and 68 mile post, Waggon Road	61	Nicoamen.
Deadman's Creek	575	
Nicolai River, junction of Trail from Cook's Ferry to Savona's Ferry	918	
Buonaparte River, between 113 and 114 mile post, Waggon Road	471	Buonaparte.
Nicolai Lake, East bank	670	
Do. Lagoon, East side	60	
Right bank of Thompson River, extending back to Lake	3112	} Shuswap.
North-west side of Little Lake, on Trail to Adam's Lake	abt1900	
East side of Adam's Lake, Mouth of Adam's River.....	" 1000	Adams Lake.....
Junction of North and South Branch of Thompson River.....	6000	Kamloops

} These Indians have also 15 ch.
square on West side of Lake.

APPENDIX—1.

SCHEDULE OF LEASES granted of portions of SONGHEES INDIAN RESERVE, ESQUIMALT DISTRICT.

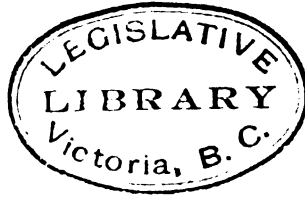
DATE.	NAME OF LESSEE.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	TERM.	RENTAL.	HOW PAYABLE.	REMARKS.
6th July, 1871.....	Jane Sophia Bales	Lots 6 & 7, 5.34 acres.....	7 years	\$75 per annum	Half yearly.	
" "	William Dalby	Lot 13, 1.52 acres.....	"	\$40 "	"	
30th June, 1871...	Patrick Everett.....	Lot 4A, 1 acre	"	\$25 "	"	
" "	Jeremiah Nagle.....	Lot 5. 3.08 acres.....	"	\$77 "		
25th April, 1864..	The Bishop of Columbia.....	Lot 51.....	21 years	\$ 5 "	Yearly.....	Indian Mission in connection with Church of England.

MEMORANDUM.—Dr. Ash held a Lease, formerly, of a Lot on this Reserve. He is now applying to the Government of the Dominion for another, or a renewal of the old one, which was forfeited for non-payment of the Rent.

APPENDIX—2.

SCHEDULE OF LEASES PROMISED (being parts of the INDIAN RESERVE at COWICHAN.)

DATE.	TO WHOM PROMISED.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	REMARKS.
7th August, 1871	Mrs. Williams (by authority of the Governor).....	East part of Section 11, Range II., Cowichan District	Contents, 500 x 2000 links, 10 acres.
	Harry Marriner	Lease of a portion of Cowichan Reserve, of no use to Indians.	
5th July, 1871.....	R. White	East part of Section 13, Range II., Cowichan District.....	10 years, at \$5 per annum.



RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of Government Reserves.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands & Works Office,

14th January, 1873.

RETURN OF GOVERNMENT RESERVES.

FROM OFFICIAL MAPS.



LOCATION.	PURPOSE.	ACREAGE.	ESTABLISHED.	WITHDRAWN.	REMARKS.
Sooke, Section 16	These Reserves are available for Indian Settlements, Schools, Parks, or other public purposes.	110	No data for date of reservation.		
Esquimalt, Section 98		340			
Metchois, Section 20		100			
Lake, Section 42		90			
Do. Section 74A (part in Victoria)		330			Suitable for a Public Park.
South Saanich, R. 1 W., S. 7, 8, 9		484			
Do. R. 2 W., S. 7, 8, 9		300			Adjoining the Indian Reserves.
Do. R. 4 E., S. 6, 7, 8		320			There are Indians on the Saanich Reserves.
North Saanich, R. 1 W., S. 4, 5		73			
Do. R. 2 W., S. 4, 5		146			
Do. R. 1 W., S. 15		500			
Shawnigan, R. 5, S. 18, 19		214			
Do. R. 9., part of S. 3 and 4		200			
Cowichan, R. 7, S. 9, 10, 11, 13		100			
Comiaken, R. 5, S. 7, 8		600			
Do. R. 6, S. 8		700			
Somenos, R. 3, S. 9, 10		166			
Cedar, R. 4, S. 19		100			
Cranberry, R. 7, 8, S. 5, 6, 7		16.8			
Mountain, R. 8, S. 2, R. 5, 6, S. 13, 14, 15		76			Indian Village.
Comox, S. 4		522			
New Westminster, opposite R. E. Camp	Military	15	No data for date of reservation.		Commands the entrance to Sooke Harbour.
Poplar Island, Fraser River		43			
Small Island, North Arm		16.8			
Reserve (lot 32, adjoining to) New Westminster		76			
Reserve, adjoining lot 34, New Westminster		522			
Entrance to Sooke Harbour		15			
Bentinck Island		50			
William's Head, Pedder Bay		11			Suitable for a Battery.
Albert Head		93			Commanding the Royal Roads.
Fisguard Island		2			Entrance to Esquimalt Harbour.
Esquimalt Naval Station	Naval	7	No data for date of reservation.		Occupied by the Imperial Government.
Naval Hospital Grounds		8			do. do. do.
Brothers' Islands and other small islands	Military	5			These Islands are of little agricultural value, but might at any time become of great defensive importance.
Trial Island		35			
Chain Island	Naval or Military	4			
Chatham Island		170			
North part of Discovery Island		95			

Darcy and adjoining Islands	do. do. ...	200	No data for date of reservation.	} Commanding entrance to Burrard Inlet.
North West of Sallias Island	do. do. ...	50		.....
South of English Bay, Burrard Inlet	Naval	788		.....
North of First Narrows, do.	Military	354		.....
South do. do.	do.	950		.....
North of Entrance to Port Moody	do.	190		} Commanding entrance to Port Moody.
South do. do.	do.	127		.....
Mouth of North Arm, Fraser River	do.	120		} Commanding entrance to North Arm.
South West of Sea Island	do.	250		.....
South of Mouth of North Arm	do.	75		
		9,129.8			

FROM ADMIRALTY CHARTS. (Marked Permanent.)

Oyster Harbour, V. I., near Stuart's Channel.. ..	1100	No data for date of reservation.	} East Coast of Vancouver Island.
North of Departure Bay	2540		.....
Nanoose Harbour	3470		.....
Qualicum Bay and River	950		.....
Baynes Sound	1280		} Mouth of Discovery Passage. Seymour Narrows.
White Bluff, near Comox	384		.....
Oyster Bay	2250		.....
Menzies Bay	2856		.....
Granite Point	424		} In Discovery Passage. Yaculta Village.
Campbell River	1926		.....
Cape Mudge, Discovery Passage	2550		.....
Chatham Point	832		.....
West of Nodales Canal	480		} Johnstone's Straits.
West part of Thurlow Island	3440		.....
Salmon Bay and River	1144		.....
Hardewick Island	2740		.....
York Island	120		} Broughton's Straits.
Adams River	1600		.....
Beaver Cove	1950		.....
Cormorant Island, West part of	280		.....
Waddington Island	120		} Clayoquot Sound. Barclay Sound. Site for Lighthouse,
Port McNeil	1292		.....
Beaver Harbour, East of Fort Rupert	1512		.....
Do. West do.	6750		.....
Part of Flous Island	2618		
Vargus Island	7124		
Cape Beale	1100		
Village Passage	350		
Deana Island	450		
Carried forward	54,632			

RETURN OF GOVERNMENT RESERVES.—Continued.

FROM ADMIRALTY CHARTS.—Continued.

LOCATION.	PURPOSE.	ACREAGE.	ESTABLISHED.	WITHDRAWN.	REMARKS.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	54,632			
East of Cowichan Lake		800			Head of Alberni Inlet.
West of do.		320			
Near Stamp Harbour		340			Chesath Village.
Near Alberni Settlement.....		230			Lomass River.
Lomass River		380			Above head of Alberni Inlet.
Opochesath		280			
Great Central Lake		600			
Village, Quoin Shelter, Double, and adjoining small Islands.....		750			
Near Ship Channel		370			Barclay Sound.
Prett Nook.....		1050			
King Island		300			On Coast, South of Barclay Sound.
Helby Island		200			
Near Natinat Lake		2356			
Bartlett Island		200			Clayoquot Sound.
Blunden Island		350			
Wakeenuenis Island		360			
Echichits Island		60			
Peninsula opposite Templars Channel.....		4000			
Race Rocks	Lighthouse.....	1			Straits of Georgia.
South of Saturna Island.....		1200			
South part of Pender Island		340			
Baltinac Island.....		250			
North of Denmans Island, including Cape Lago		1680			
South of Denmans Island		250			
Point Grey, New Westminster		434			North of Entrance to Burrard Inlet.
Atkinson Point....		300			
Passage Island		30			
East part of Hornby Island		180			
Lumbo Island		320			
South East of Bowen Island		500			
		72063			

N. B.—These reserves made by marking their position on the Charts hung in public office, but not necessarily Gazetted. (Information from B. W. Pearse, Esq.)
The above quantities are approximate only, being calculated from the Admiralty Charts.

FROM GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

Right bank of Naas River	4000	1st September, 1869	Until further notice	At junction with Observation Inlet. 1 mile
South and West of James' Bay, Crown Lands		9th February, 1871.	" "	Since conveyed to Cemetery Board. [by 6.
Chilcotin Valley		30th August, 1872 ..	" "	No data to calculate quantity.
Upper Kootenay Lake	5200	26th March, 1868 ...	1st July, 1869	3 miles, S. end of Lake, extending 4 miles
Kanaka, Fraser River	640	4th April, 1867.....	6 months from date	One mile square. [N. 8 square miles.
Savona's Ferry.....	320	10th November, '65	Until further notice	½ a mile on each side of Ashcroft Road.
Lower Arrow Lake	2560	8th June, 1865	" "	1 mile on each side of Columbia River, 1
Kitsumchilum, near Skeena River, Queen				mile of Trail.
Charlotte's Island		29th December, 1863	" "	2 miles back from shore, entire circuit of
North-west part of Queen Charlotte's Island,				Lake.
including Frederick Island.....		" "	" "	
Wales and two small Islands on North Coast ..	6400	" "	" "	
Bute Inlet, near Homathco River.....	Town Site	2nd December, 1863	" "	3 miles by 1½ miles. Waddington.
The whole of Queen Charlotte's Island, inclu-				
ding small islands		5th September, 1863	Not known.....	Reservation removed, being temporary.
Coquitlam River	110	2nd February, 1864	Until further notice	Between Indian Reserve & Lot 169, G. 1
Showater, opposite Fort Rupert	1920	16th May, 1864	" "	3 miles from mouth of river, 3 mi. by 1 mi.
North of Great Okanagan Lake	6400	9th June, 1864	" "	10 square miles.
Metlahkahtla.....	32000	30th September, 1864	" "	10 miles by 5 miles, around Mission Point.
Mouth of Soda Creek	960	26th February, 1863	" "	½ mi. below & 1 mi. above mouth, 1 mi. back
Quesnel Lake (1)	1120	" "	" "	Extending 2 miles towards Forks by 1 mile.
Do. 15 or 20 miles from 1 (2)	2000	" "	" "	South-west of Lake.
Do. Horse Fly Creek (3).....	2240	" "	" "	Near two miles square.
Mouth of Lightning Creek	160	2nd June, 1863	" "	1 mile by ½ mile.
Suspension Bridge, above Yale.....	5	13th June, 1863	" "	Bridge Approaches.
Burnaby, George, and Sockalle Islands, Queen				[ern Coast.
Charlotte's Island		22nd January, 1863	" "	Reserve extends 1 mile inland round east-
Near Old Fort Alexander, Fraser River	480	13th March, 1863 ...	" "	1½ miles by ½ mile.
Williams Lake Mountain	12800	12th August, 1863 ..	" "	20 square miles.
West and East of Knight's Inlet	8320	24th August, 1863 ..	" "	E. side 4,480, W. 3 miles by 2 miles 3,840.
Head of Douglas Channel.....		" "	" "	1m. N., E. 2m. fr. hd. of Bay S. to Salmon R.
Bentinck Arm, Bella Coola		3rd September, 1863	.....	Formerly occupied by Capt. C. Venables.
Pemberton Lake.....	2560	2nd January, 1863 ..	Until further notice	4 miles along shore, 1 mile back.
Mission Point, Metlahkahtla		24th July, 1863.....	" "	A radius of 3 miles from Mission Point,
Devastation Island.....	20	" "	" "	extending to summit of Champion Range.
Chatham Island		" "	" "	Extended to 30th September, 1874.
Tugwell Island	320	" "	" "	
Right bank of Columbia River	640	27th February, 1872	" "	} For the use of the Canadian Pacific Rail- way Company's Survey.
East end of Eagle Pass	640	" "	" "	
Comiaken, ½ S. 8 and 9	School Reserve.....	8th July, 1872	Unlimited.	
Victoria, Section 89.....	do.			
Carried forward.....	94,799			

RETURN OF GOVERNMENT RESERVES.—*Continued.*FROM GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.—*Continued.*

LOCATION.	PURPOSE.	ACREAGE.	ESTABLISHED.	WITHDRAWN.	REMARKS.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	94,799			
South of Burrard Inlet.....	Town Site	3130			Town Site of Hastings.
Quesnelmouth	do.	352	18th June, 1868.....	Until further notice	1 mile along Fraser, thence E. to Quesnel.
Head of Howe Sound	do.	9600	5th June, 1872	" "	Around the Squawmisch River.
Cut Off Valley, 47 mile post	do.	80	18th September, 1862	" "	½ mile along Road, and across the Valley, Clinton.
Junction of North and South Arms, Fraser R.	do. or town lots	600			
Town Site of Granville	do.	504			
North-east corner of Shushwap Lake	do.	600	25th August, 1865 ..	" "	Town Site of Seymour, 2 miles by ½ mile.
		109,665			

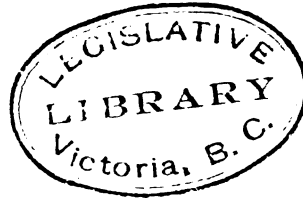
MEMORANDUM.—This total can only be considered as an approximation, the Reserves not being surveyed, and the quantities being calculated from Charts of small scales, or estimated from particulars of description in the Gazette notices.

Kokudar Island.....	Coal.....	5120	1st August, 1868 ...	Until further notice	One of Queen Charlotte group.
Adjoining Queen Charlotte Coal Co.	"	20000	9th April, 1868	31st December, 1868	East and North of Coal Company's lease.
Baynes Sound (1)	"	6000	12th May, 1868	1st March, 1869	
South and West shore of Baynes Sound (2) ...	"	6400	24th May, 1869	19th April, 1870 ...	Formerly held by Heywood, Fell, & Co.,
Baynes Sound (3)	"		25th September, 1868	Until further notice	12 miles S. E. of Comox.
Baynes Sound (4)	"	6000	1st May, 1868	1st November, 1868	Commencing at Maple Point.
Near Nanoose Harbour	"	5000	10th November, '68	Until further notice	
North-west shore of Broughton's Straits	"	10000	6th April, 1869	1st May, 1870	From Pt. McNeil 8 m. towards False Head.
Part of Moresby Island, between Mudge and Mitchell Harbour	"		15th July, 1869	2 years from date ...	Queen Charlotte group.
South shore of Skidegate Bay	"	20000	7th July, 1868	Until further notice	
Between Oyster Harbour and Horse Shoe Bay..	Timber	13600	1st August, 1868.....	" "	Stewart's Channel.
Oyster Bay.....	"	5000	6th September, 1868	" "	
South West of Gambia Island, Howe Sound ...	"	500	6th April, 1869	" "	
East Shore of Queen Charlotte Channel	Copper	5120	18th May, 1868	" "	

MEMORANDUM.—These Reserves are temporary, being practically ended when the leases are given.

ABSTRACT.

	Acres.	
From Official Maps	9,129.8	} 190,857.8
From Admiralty Charts.....	72,063.0	
From Government Gazette	109,665.0	



RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of all Public Works undertaken during the Year 1872, indicating what Works were done under contract, and what by day labour; the cost of each, and the amount paid for superintendence under the latter head.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands & Works Office,

27th January, 1873.

RETURN showing EXPENDITURES on PUBLIC WORKS in

HEADS OF SERVICE.		AMOUNT.	AMOUNT VOTED.
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.			
Repairs to Gaol, Nanaimo, and purchase of land.....		\$ 20 36	1,000 00
Construction of Court House, New Westminster.....		2,193 66	2,500 00
Government House, Victoria :—Paid at Land Office.....		\$2,281 42	
Do.	do. „ Provincial Sec's Office.....	56 56	
		2,337 98	2,500 00
Do.	Furniture „ „ „	1,497 70	1,500 00
Do.	Fuel „ „ „	614 24	350 00
Do.	Planting Grounds :—Paid at Land Office	\$207 25	
Do.	do. do. „ Prov. Sec's Office..	67 37	
		274 62	200 00
Do.	Water „ „ „	148 49	400 00
Do.	Fencing „ Land Office	282 50	250 00
Do.	Incidentals „ Prov. Sec's Office.....	98 00	100 00
Government House, New Westminster		486 47	500 00
Do.	Fuel, paid at Provincial Secretary's Office.....	54 75	150 00
Do.	Gardener's Salary	499 92	500 00
Do.	Incidentals	98 37	100 00
Repairs to Government Buildings, Victoria :—Paid at Land Office		\$2,463 82	
Do.	do. do. „ P. Sec's Off.	200 65	
		2,664 47	1,500 00
House of Assembly, paid at Provincial Secretary's Office		523 77	500 00
Government Buildings, New Westminster.....		666 20	300 00
Do.	do. Yale	352 00	500 00
Do.	do. Lillooet and Clinton	500 00	500 00
Do.	do. Cariboo	1,237 31	750 00
Do.	do. Kootenay	83 00	2,000 00
Miscellaneous Surveys		4,963 48	5,000 00
Water Works Survey		4,952 70	7,000 00
Graving Dock, Esquimalt :—Paid by Land Office.....		\$3,410 76	
Do.	do. „ Provincial Secretary's Office..	369 38	
		3,780 14	No vote.
Alexandra Bridge :—Paid by Land Office		\$5,198 15	
Do.	„ Provincial Secretary's Office	16 25	
		5,214 40	No vote.
ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.			
Yale-Clinton Road.....		Arrears of 1871 \$2,041 23	25,689 36
			20,000 00
Clinton-Camerton Road		„ 156 19	16,295 54
			14,000 00
Douglas-Clinton Road.....		„ 170 00	1,033 80
			1,000 00
Burrard Inlet Road.....			1,147 10
			1,200 00
New Westminster and Yale Sleigh Road		5,357 16	6,000 00
Hope-Kootenay Trail.....		Arrears of 1871 \$1,708 50	4,374 89
			3,500 00
Lillooet and Lytton Trail		1,429 45	1,500 00
New Westminster District Roads and Trails		Arrears of 1871 \$750 00	6,439 07
			6,650 00
Trails, Cariboo District			2,392 66
			2,400 00
Trails, Quesnel to Germansen Creek, Arrears of 1871, paid by Prov. Sec's Off.		915 00	6,000 00
Trails, Western Coast to intersect same		2,441 59	5,000 00

the Year 1872, distinguishing Contracts, &c., from Day Work.

SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME, AND WAGES.	CONTRACTOR'S NAME, AND AMOUNT OF CONTRACT.	REMARKS.
.....	Contract, A. Fenny, for \$850.	The vote has not been expended, and will
.....	Purchase of Land \$150.	have to be provided for in 1873 Estimates.
.....	M. Munro, Contract \$3,280.....	The excess of Contract price over amount
Carpenter's work \$4.50 $\frac{7}{10}$ diem	Painting, Crowther \$553 65 ...	voted, to be provided for in 1873, \$780,
Plasterer's " 5.00 "	Tinsmith, Drummond \$182 30	exclusive of extras.
		An amount of \$240 is still due to Thos.
		Storey, for building outhouses, &c.
A. J. Smith, Supt. Gaol repairs \$5 per day.	.....	This amount includes recent repairs to
		Gaol, Victoria, \$1,671 13.
.....	.....	This amount includes purchase of Lock-up,
		Forks of Quesnel.
T. A. Bulkley, Chief Engineer, [\$323 33 per month		
do. do.		
do. do.		
N. Black & A. Stevenson, \$130 [per month	.....	An amount of \$650 is owing by the Domin-
		ion Government for repairs to Telegraph
		line, performed by Road party, and paid
		for in this amount.
T. Spence, \$150 per month ....	.....	The construction of the Barkerville Bulk-
do. do.		head is partially included in this. A re-
do. do.		fund of \$375 (subscription of residents of
		Williams Creek to this work) paid into
		Treasury, as also \$1,010 for Sale of Go-
		vernment Stores by Supt. of Roads.
A. Russell, \$100 per month		
P. C. Fernie, 150 " "	.....	Portions of this work under superintendence
A. Stevenson, 130 " "		of Assistant Commissioner.
A. Russell, 100 " "	Bonson & Armstrong, Contract	Further vouchers to arrive.
for	for False Creek Bridge \$2500	
portion of road N. W. to Hope		
and N. W. to Semiahmo. L.		
Bonson, \$100 per month for		
Sumass District Roads.		
.....	Contracts varying from \$150 to	Portion of this sum (\$1,090 91) expended
	\$300 let by Assistant Com-	on the Bulkhead, Barkerville, and charged
	missioner to outlying trails,	to this account by order of Chief Comr.
	and portion by day work.	
.....	Amount paid G. B. Wright, in	
	settlement of old claim, \$915.	
.....	.....	Work under supervision of Mr. Fitzgerald,
		in whose hands the sum of \$3,317 91 still
		remains.

RETURN OF EXPENDITURE ON

HEADS OF SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	AMOUNT VOTED.
ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.—Continued.		
Omineca District Roads, Arrears of 1871	3,076 05	No vote in '71
Roads and Trails, Yale-Lytton District, including Bridge across Nicola River	206 70	4,500 00
Repairs to Road from Cache Creek to Savona's Ferry	1,999 17	2,000 00
Savona's Ferry and Okanagan Roads.....	14,247 77	15,000 00
Front Street, New Westminster, paid by Provincial Secretary's Office	750 00	750 00
Victoria District Roads ' ' \$ 14 52		
Do. do. " Land Office..... 14,619 73		
Esquimalt District Roads Arrears of 1871 208 00	14,634 25	15,200 00
	7,375 40	7,150 00
Esquimalt Roads and Bridges	8,856 54	9,000 00
Cowichan District Roads	8,980 24	8,200 00
Nanaimo District Roads	7,453 38	6,250 00
Comox Roads.....	4,521 08	5,000 00
Alberni and Nanaimo Trail, and from this point to Nanoose	2,379 88	2,400 00

PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME, AND WAGES.	CONTRACTOR'S NAME, AND AMOUNT OF CONTRACT.	REMARKS.
W. Jones, \$120 per month..... do. do.	F. Mulder & Co., \$1,500, Con- [tract, Dead Man's Hill.	No work has been done in this District. This amount has been charged by order of the Surveyor-General, and consists of proportion of his travelling expenses and proportion of cost of fitting out road party.
J. Nicholson, \$100 per month.. do. do.	Trifling contracts, from \$30 to \$150 let by Supt. on outlying portions of District. M. Muir, Bridge, Sooke River, \$1,719. Some trifling con- tracts as in Victoria District.	
T. Harris, Supt. Bridge con- tract, \$2 50 per day.	Hayward & Jenkinson, Contract and extras, \$7,355.	Remainder for keeping cross Roads open during closing of Bridges, and sundry repairs.
W. C. Duncan, \$100 per month	.....	\$750 of this amount for Salt Spring Island Roads, expended and brought to account by Member for District.
W. Hassard, Supt. general re- pairs, \$100 per month.	A. Fenny, Contract, Nanaimo Bridge and extras, \$3,945. W. Williams, additional stone work, piers, \$250. P. Sabis- ton, Small Bridge, Mill Stream, \$214 50. P. Sabis- ton, Bridge over Mill Stream, Contract, \$1,500.	
do. do. D. Cameron, \$100 per month.		

JNO. J. AUSTIN,
Accountant, Lands & Works Office.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of the Expenditure on
Roads, Trails, Bridges, or other Public Works in the Omineca Section of the
Cariboo District, during the Year 1872.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Office,

16th January, 1873.

NAME.	NATURE OF SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
		\$ cts.
Farron & Co.....	Flour, 300 lbs.....	54 00
Ah-you-li, Indian.	Packing for Assistant Commissioner, Inspecting.....	30 00
Tommy, do.	Do. do. do. 15 days.....	45 00
W. Martin.....	Boatman and Packer, 15 days	45 00
W. H. Fitzgerald.....	14 days inspecting Road, @ \$4 75 diem	56 00
J. B. Lovell.....	Provisions for Road Party.....	355 67
A. M. Nelson.....	Do. do.	390 55
Pay Sheet.....	Laborers on Road, &c.....	1,153 79
Milonly, Indian.....	Canoe hire, crossing Babine Lake.....	9 50
J. Hockin.....	Vegetables for Road Party.....	22 08
W. Martin.....	19 days service as Boatman.. ..	76 00
W. Tappage.....	20 do. do. and Packer.....	80 00
W. H. Fitzgerald	19 days allowance, on duty inspecting.....	76 00
J. Clearihue.....	Exchange on \$2,400 @ 2 75 cent	48 00
		\$2,441 59

NOTE.—An amount of \$3,317 91 remains in the hands of the Assistant Commissioner for the District, W. H. Fitzgerald, Esq., for expenditure in the District, Vouchers for which have not yet come to hand.

JNO. J. AUSTIN,

Accountant, Lands & Works Office.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of Pre-emptions in the
Electoral Districts of British Columbia, from 1st January to 30th November,
1872.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Office,

13th January, 1873.

VANCOUVER DISTRICT.

Pre-emptors 68. Area pre-empted.....10,277½ acres.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

Pre-emptors 1. Area pre-empted160 acres.

NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

Pre-emptors..... 52. Area pre-empted8,640 acres.

YALE DISTRICT.

Pre-emptors 72. Area pre-empted.....20,330 acres.

CARIBOO DISTRICT.

Pre-emptors 20. Area pre-empted5,420 acres.

Total number of Pre-emptions.....213.

Total Area Pre-empted..... 44,827½ acres.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of the number of Acres of

Land sold by the Provincial Government, from June, 1871, to December, 1872.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands & Works Office,

15th January, 1873.

	1870.	1871.	1872.
NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT:—			
Number of Acres on which half payment has been made	6,592	4,124	200
Number of Acres paid in full.....	<i>nil.</i>	722	321
YALE-LYTTON DISTRICT:—			
Number of Acres on which half payment has been made	1,741	7,368	<i>nil.</i>
Number of Acres paid in full.....	2,119	<i>nil.</i>	2,109
LILLOOET DISTRICT:—			
Number of Acres on which half payment has been made	480	<i>nil.</i>	<i>nil.</i>
Number of Acres paid in full.....	<i>nil.</i>	746	604
CARIBOO DISTRICT:—			
Number of Acres on which half payment has been made	<i>nil.</i>	400	<i>nil.</i>
Number of Acres paid in full.....	202	152	<i>nil.</i>
	11,134	13,512	3,234
Total number of Acres sold.....	27,880		

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Return of all Lands sold by the
Provincial Government, from June, 1870, to December, 1872.

By Command.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Office,

15th January, 1873.

	1870.	1871.	1872.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT:—			
Payments on Country Lands	3,810 00	3,990 71	741 70
Payments on Town Lots	267 50	300 00	nil.
YALE-LYTTON DISTRICT:—			
Payments on Country Lands	520 50	3,080 97	1,299 32
Payments on Town Lots	nil.	nil.	nil.
LILLOOET DISTRICT:—			
Payments on Country Lands	240 00	756 38	604 42
Payments on Town Lots	100 00	450 00	nil.
CARIBOO DISTRICT:—			
Payments on Country Lands	202 00	352 81	nil.
Payments on Town Lots	156 51	50 00	nil.
OMINECA DISTRICT	nil.	nil.	nil.
COLUMBIA RIVER DISTRICT	nil.	nil.	nil.
KOOTENAY DISTRICT	nil.	nil.	nil.
VANCOUVER ISLAND:—			
Payments on Country Lands	685 47	14,605 23	2,494 30

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 20th December, 1872, for the number of persons in the service and pay of the Province, on December 1st, 1872, their respective names, duties, residences, and their respective salaries, fees, and allowances, distinguishing permanent from temporary offices.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

7th January, 1873.

Provincial Secretary.

RETURN of the NUMBER of PERSONS in the EMPLOY of the PROVINCE, on 1st December, 1872.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	ANNUAL SALARY.	FEES.	DUTIES.
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.				
A. G. J. Pinder.....	Victoria	\$ cts. 1,452 00	.....	Is Private Secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor, charge of Records of Governor's office, and correspondence; general duties as Private Secretary.
W. Buckett	"	600 00	.....	In charge of Government House, attends to official visitors, receives Governor's letters, and delivers letters from His Excellency.
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.				
A. R. Robertson.....	Victoria	3,500 00	.....	Provincial Secretary.
C. Good	"	1,940 00	.....	Deputy Provincial Secretary, general supervision of the Provincial Secretary's, Audit, Treasury, and Printing offices; conducts correspondence, prepares Returns, overlooks accounts, gives public information to visitors to the office, and keeps the records of all correspondence.
J. Connell.....	"	1,600 00	.....	Clerk in the Provincial Secretary's office; makes fair copies of all correspondence for signature, and enters and indexes the same; prepares all title deeds for signature, copies all Proclamations and Instruments under the Great Seal, makes out all Requisitions for Expenditure, records letters on receipt, &c.
D. Deasy.....	"	600 00	.....	Is Messenger to Provincial Secretary's office; cleans out the Provincial Secretary's office and Treasury, lights fires, cuts wood, brings coal, and generally gets and delivers all letters, mails, &c.
Printing Branch.				
R. Wolfenden.....	"	1,320 00	.....	Superintendent of the Printing Department.
G. Williams	"	960 00	.....	Compositor.
R. Butler	"	960 00	.....	Do.
(Temporarily employed).				
A. Rose.....	"	per month. 85 00	.....	Do.
W. McMillan	"	60 00	.....	Do.
W. Harris	"	40 00	.....	Do.
Audit Branch.				
T. R. Holmes.....	"	1,600 00	.....	Conducts the audit of the Public Accounts and prepares Financial Returns.
Treasury Branch.				
A. Calder	"	1,452 00	.....	In charge of the Treasury; is Cashier and generally accountable for the work of the Dept.
W. C. Berkeley.....	"	1,452 00	.....	Is Accountant and Book Keeper; prepares all weekly, monthly, and yearly Returns.
LANDS & WORKS DEPARTMENT.				
G. A. Walkem.....	"	3,500 00	.....	Chief Commissioner.
A. R. Howse	"	1,320 00	.....	Record Clerk and Clerk of Works; conducts the issue of all title deeds, record of pre-emption, land sales, and examines and takes over road work.
Conway Scott	"	1,320 00	.....	Draughtsman, and has entire charge of all maps, plans, &c., made in the office.
J. J. Austin	"	1,320 00	.....	Conducts the accounts of the office, and has in charge all payments and receipts of Dept.
J. Baker.....	"	600 00	.....	Messenger and Clerk; cleans office, lights fires, and copies correspondence.

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE					
H. B. W. Aikman.....	"	.....	1,940 00	.....	Is Registrar-General of Titles and all other deeds, also Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and Joint Stock Companies.
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.					
J. F. McCreight	Victoria	.....	3,500 00	.....	Attorney-General.
H. S. Mason.....	"	.....	1,600 00	.....	Clerk to Attorney-General; conducts all correspondence of the Department, drafts Public Bills, prepares indictments, and generally responsible for the clerical work of the office.
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.					
J. J. Young.....	"	.....	1,600 00	.....	Has entire charge of the records, minutes, and orders of Executive Council, and all clerical work of the Department.
LEGISLATION.					
J. Trimble ..	"	.....	1,000 00	.....	Speaker.
C. Good .....	"	.....	600 00	.....	Clerk of the House.
T. Harris .....	"	.....	250 00	.....	Sergeant-at-Arms.
J. R. Hett.....	"	.....	300 00	.....	Law Clerk.
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.					
R. Woods.....	"	.....	1,940 00	.....	Registrar of the Supreme Court; is responsible for the conduct of the Department, issues and enters judgments, rules, summonses, writs, affidavits, taxes costs, executions, orders in chancery, letters of administration, appearances, writs in chancery, bankruptcy, &c.
C. E. Pooley .....	"	.....	1,940 00	.....	Deputy Registrar do. do.; goes on circuit.
J. Irving.....	"	.....	600 00	.....	Messenger and Usher of the Court.
SHERIFF.					
A. C. Elliott.....	"	.....	1,500 00	Fees.....	High Sheriff.
POLICE AND GAOLS.					
Victoria.					
H. B. Good .....	"	.....	1,500 00	.....	Is Clerk of the Police and County Courts; takes information, issues summonses, conducts business of County and Police Courts, receives all revenue, and issues licences.
J. H. Sullivan .....	"	.....	1,752 00	.....	Superintendent of Police and Warden of Victoria Gaol.
W. Bowden .....	"	.....	1,008 00	.....	Inspector of Victoria Police.
J. McCarthy.....	"	.....	850 00	.....	Constable and Sergeant.
W. McEwen.....	"	.....	720 00	.....	Constable.
J. Rappitt .....	"	.....	720 00	.....	do.
C. J. Bloomfield .....	"	.....	720 00	.....	do.
P. Woolacott.....	"	.....	1,104 00	.....	Gaoler.
J. Hutcheson.....	"	.....	912 50	.....	Assistant Gaoler.
G. Babington.....	"	.....	638 50	.....	Convict Guard.
W. Blackmore.....	"	.....	638 50	.....	do.
E. Truron.....	"	.....	1,008 00	.....	Superintendent of Convicts.
J. Branigan .....	"	.....	547 50	.....	Door Guard.
A. McLean.....	"	.....	547 50	.....	do.
J. Clarke .....	"	.....	638 75	.....	Cook.
J. S. Helmcken.....	"	.....	600 00	.....	Medical Officer of the Gaol.

RETURN OF EMPLOYES.—Continued.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	ANNUAL SALARY.	FEES.	DUTIES.
<i>POLICE & GALOS,—Continued.</i>		\$ cts.		
<i>New Westminster.</i>				
F. G. Claudet	New Westminster	2,425 00	.....	Is Stipendiary Magistrate; performs all the business of the Police and Revenue unaided,
J. McNamara	"	720 00	.....	Constable. [Assistant Commissioner of Lands, also in charge of Assay Office.
W. Edwards	"	720 00	.....	do.
A. McBride	"	1,104 00	.....	Gaoler.
W. Moresby	"	708 00	.....	Turnkey.
C. Trew	"	600 00	.....	Medical Attendant.
J. Miller	Burrard Inlet.....	720 00	.....	Constable.
<i>Kootenay and Columbia.</i>				
A. Vowell	Kootenay	3,000 00	.....	Magistrate and Gold Commissioner.
C. Booth	"	1,704 00	.....	Clerk of Records, Accountant, and Constable.
J. G. Milne	French Creek.....	1,404 00	.....	Constable and Government Agent at French Creek.
W. Fernie	Kootenay	1,404 00	.....	Constable.
<i>Cariboo.</i>				
H. M. Ball	Cariboo	No Salary from Province...	.....	Magistrate and Gold Commissioner.
J. Bowron	"	1,940 00	.....	Clerk of Records.
J. Lindsay	"	1,940 00	.....	Chief Constable.
G. Green	"	1,452 00	.....	Constable and Gaoler.
S. Archer	"	1,008 00	.....	Constable, Barkerville and Cameronton.
O. Hare	Forks of Quesnel	1,452 00	.....	Constable, Forks of Quesnel.
J. L. Muir	Quesnelmouth ...	1,500 00	.....	Constable, Quesnelmouth.
<i>Omineca.</i>				
W. H. Fitzgerald	Omineca	3,000 00	.....	Magistrate and Gold Commissioner.
F. Page	"	1,940 00	.....	Clerk of Records.
R. Fitzstubs	"	1,500 00	.....	Constable at Omineca.
R. A. Brown	Forks of Skeena ..	1,000 00	.....	Constable on Skeena River.
<i>Hope, Yale, and Lytton.</i>				
B. P. Griffin	Yale	1,500 00	.....	Is Clerk of Records and Police and County Courts; attends to land records, collects revenue, Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, generally responsible for District.
W. Evans	"	1,008 00	.....	Gaoler and Constable.
J. Boyd	Kamloops	1,008 00	.....	Constable.
<i>Lillooet and Clinton.</i>				
E. Tynon	Lillooet	1,500 00	.....	Clerk of Records (as above) and Constable.
C. E. Pope	Clinton	1,500 00	.....	do. do. do.

Nanaimo, Comox, Salt Spring Isd., & Cowichan.

Nanaimo, Comox, Salt Spring Is., & Cowichan.					
F. Trevor	Nanaimo.....	1,300 00	.....	Clerk of Records (as above).	
W. Stewart	"	732 00	} 10 ³ / ₄ cent. on Road Tax.	Constable.	
J. Rodello	Comox	250 00		"	
E Skinner	Cowichan	250 00		"	
H. Sampson	Salt Spring Island	250 00		"	
ASSAY OFFICE.					
W. Hitchcock	Cariboo	1,940 00	.....	Assayer and Melter in Cariboo.	
W. McColl	"	900 00	.....	Assistant in office	"
LUNATIC ASYLUM.					
E. A. Sharpe.....	Victoria	1,104 00	.....	Superintendent.	
W. C. Soye.....	"	722 60	.....	Assistant.	
P. Jackman.....	"	600 00	.....	Attendant.	
M. J. Goode.....	"	600 00	.....	Do.	
Mrs. Ross.....	"	600 00	.....	Matron.	
Ah Tung	"	360 00	.....	Cook.	
ESQUIMALT DOCK.					
T. A. Bulkley*	"	per month. 166 00	.....	Engineer and Architect, Graving Dock.	
VICTORIA WATER WORKS.					
T. A. Bulkley*	"	166 00	.....	Engineer in charge of Survey for bringing Water into Victoria.	
R. Homfray*	"	150 00	Board, \$30 ...	Draughtsman and Engineer in connection with the same.	

* Temporarily employed.

CHARLES GOOD,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.



RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 7th February, 1873, for a Statement of Public Officers already or about to be dispensed with.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

19th February, 1873.

LIST OF OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED.

NAME.	OFFICE.
John Connell.....	Clerk in the Provincial Secretary's Office.
A. C. Elliott	High Sheriff.
Richard Beacher	Door Guard, Victoria Gaol.
A. McLean.....	Do. do.
J. McClaherty	Cook, do.
G. Babington	Convict Guard, do.
F. G. Claudet	Superintendent of Assay Office and Stipendiary Magistrate.
B. P. Griffin	Clerk of Bench, Yale.
C. E. Pope.....	Do. Clinton.
E. Tynon	Do. Lillooet.
A. Vowell	Stipendiary Magistrate, Kootenay.
J. L. Muir	Constable, Quesnelmouth.
H. Sampson	Do. Salt Spring Island.
J. Rodello	Do. Comox.
E. Skinner.....	Do. Cowichan.
W. Stewart	Do. Nanaimo.
S. Archer	Do. Cariboo.
H. B. Good	Clerk of Bench, Victoria.
R. Fitzstubbbs	Constable, Omineca.
J. G. Milne	Do. French Creek.
J. Baker.....	Messenger. Lands and Works Department.
T. A. Bulkley	Chief Engineer.
R. Homfray	Draughtsman and assistant to do.
P. Jackman	Attendant in Lunatic Assylum.
M. J. Goode	Do. Do.
A. Rose	Printer.
W. McMillan	Do.

OFFICERS WHOSE SERVICES IT IS PROPOSED TO DISPENSE WITH.

Clerk to the Executive Council.
One Registrar of the Supreme Court.
One Clerk in Treasury.

RETURN

Of Public Officers who have given security for the due performance of the trust reposed in them and for duly accounting for public money intrusted to them, presented to the Legislative Assembly in conformity with the "Civil Officers' Securities Act, 1872."

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

4th February, 1873.

STATEMENT OF SECURITIES GIVEN BY PUBLIC OFFICERS.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	Amount of Security required.	Nature and amount of Security, Names of Sureties, and sums for which they are answerable.
A. R. Robertson	Provincial Secretary	\$10,000	Personal bond for \$10,000—I. W. Powell \$5,000, H. Holbrook \$5,000.
John Ash	Do. Do.	10,000	Canada Guarantee Co. Bond for \$10,000.
J. F. McCreight	Attorney-General	10,000	Personal Bond for \$10,000—R. Burnaby \$2,500, R. P. Rithet \$2,500, L. Lowenburg \$2,500, B. W. Pearse \$2,500.
G. A. Walkem	Do. Do.	5,000	London Guarantee Co. Bond for \$5,000.
R. Beaven	Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works	10,000	Canada Guarantee Co. Bond for \$10,000.
Charles Good	Assistant Provincial Secretary	5,000	Personal Bond for \$5,000—F. G. Claudet \$2,500, F. J. Roscoe \$2,500.
C. E. Pooley	Dep. Registrar Supreme Court	1,500	Canada Guarantee Co. Bond for \$1,500.
H. B. W. Aikman...	Registrar-General of Titles	1,500	Do. Do. Do.
R. Woods	Registrar Supreme Court	1,500	Do. Do. Do.
A. Vowell	Stipendiary Magistrate, Kootenay	3,000	J. C. Haynes Bond for \$3,000.
W. C. Berkeley.....	Clerk in Treasury	2,500	London Guarantee Co. Bond for \$2,500.
C. E. Pope.....	Clerk of Bench, Clinton	1,500	Personal Bond for \$1,500—A. T. Bushby \$1,500.
F. G. Claudet	Stipendiary Magistrate, New Westminster	1,500	Personal Bond for \$1,500—A. T. Bushby \$1,500.
J. Jessop	Superintendent of Education...	2,500	Canada Guarantee Co. Bond for \$2,500.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 3rd February, 1873, for a Return showing the amount of Fees paid to the Crown prosecutor or prosecutors for the conduct of public business during the Year 1872.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

5th February, 1873.

AMOUNT OF FEES PAID TO COUNSEL FOR CROWN PROSECUTIONS During the Year 1872.

Barnston & Davie, Cariboo	\$575
H. C. Courtney, Nanaimo	100
A. E. B. Davie, New Westminster	150
Do. Cariboo	150
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	\$975.

W. C. BERKELEY.

Treasury, 5th February, 1873.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, being a full Inventory of all the Public Property in the Government House, Victoria; such inventory being all the information it is possible to give.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

10th February, 1873.

INVENTORY OF FURNITURE, GOVERNMENT HOUSE, VICTORIA.

PORCH:—

- 2 Deal Stands (stained).
- 1 Marble Top Table.
- Oil Cloth, and 2 Door Mats.
- 2 Scrapers.

HALL:—

- 1 Carpet
- 1 Stove
- 4 Deal Tables (stained)
- 2 „ Benches „
- 1 Hat Stand
- 1 Bracket Lamp (5 holes)
- 1 Hall Lamp Frame
- 1 Oak Chair
- 1 Deal Sideboard (stained)
- 1 Hall Lamp Frame, and 2 Lamps
- 1 Pair of Hall Steps
- Cocoa Nut Matting
- 1 Cane bottom Chair
- 1 Clock.

BOUDOIR:—

- 3 Settees
- 3 Chairs
- 2 Sets Curtains and Cornices (blue rep)
- 1 Deal Table (stained) and 1 Table Cover
- 1 Brussels Carpet.

BALL ROOM:—

- 7 Deal Benches (stained)
- 8 Brackets for Lamps
- 3 Chandelier Frames
- 2 Fenders
- 2 Fire Guards
- 8 Blinds (Holland).

DRAWING-ROOM:

- 10 Damask covered Chairs
- 1 „ „ Sofa
- 2 „ „ Arm Chairs
- 1 „ „ Ottoman
- 4 Wicker bottom Chairs (1 broken)
- 2 Chiffoniers
- 1 Piano

- 2 Corner Whatnots
- 2 Tables (inlaid)
- 1 Centre Table
- 2 Mirrors
- 1 Small Work Table
- 2 Set Rep Curtains, Cornices, &c
- 2 Set Muslin Curtains
- 2 Blinds (Holland)
- 1 Glass Chandelier. and 8 Lamps
- 1 Carpet and 2 Hearth Rugs
- 1 Fender and Fire Irons.

DINING-ROOM:—

- 1 Large Carved Oak Sideboard with Mirror.
- 1 Small „ „ top to lift
- 1 Oak Extension Table and Cover
- 18 Velvet cushioned Chairs
- 1 Butler's Stand and Tray
- 1 Fender and Fire Irons
- 2 Sets Curtains (crimson rep), Cornices, &c
- 4 Blinds (Holland)
- 4 Engravings (Royal Family)
- 1 Chandelier and 8 Lamps
- 1 Carpet and 1 Hearth Rug.

BILLIARD-ROOM:—

- Cocoa Nut Matting and 1 Hearth Rug
- 1 Billiard Table, 1 Linen Cover
- 1 Set Billiard Balls and 1 set Pyramid Balls
- 12 Billiard Cues, 1 Nest, and 1 Mace
- 1 Sideboard with Cue Stand and scoring buttons
- Marking and Pool Frame
- 2 Deal Benches (stained)
- 1 „ Table „
- 1 Fire Screen
- 1 Fender and Fire Irons
- 1 Set Curtains (green rep) and Cornices
- 3 Blinds (Holland)
- 2 Lamp Frames, Pendant, and 4 Lamps.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE:—

- 1 Oak Writing Desk
- 1 „ Table
- 1 „ Book Case
- 1 Deal Platform Desk

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.—Continued.

6 Leather Morocco covered Chairs
 1 Fire Guard, Fender, Fire Irons, and Coal Box
 2 Maps
 2 Sets Crimson Rep Curtains and Cornices
 4 Blinds (Holland)
 2 Hearth Rugs
 1 Turkey Carpet
 1 Brussels Carpet
 Oil Cloth in Bow Window
 1 Green Velvet-Covered Arm Chair
 1 Inkstand
 1 Envelope Case
 1 Pen Rack
 1 Stool.

LIBRARY :—

2 Carved Oak Bookcases
 6 Oak Chairs (green velvet seats)
 1 Oak Table
 1 Green velvet-covered Sofa
 1 Fender and Fire Irons
 2 Pairs Rep Curtains and Cornices (green)
 2 Blinds (Holland)
 1 Turkey Carpet and Hearth Rug
 1 Brussels Carpet.

PRIVATE SECRETARY'S OFFICE :—

2 Book Cases (Oak)
 1 Small Cupboard
 1 Table (Mahogany, Green Leather Top)
 1 Deal Table with Oil Cloth Cover
 2 Green Leather-bottomed Chairs
 1 Telegraph Machine
 1 Carpet and Hearth Rug
 1 Cupboard with Sliding Doors (fixture)
 1 Tin Date Box
 4 Blinds (Holland)
 1 Paper Basket
 1 Book Rack
 1 Fender.

PRIVATE SECRETARY'S BEDROOM :—

1 Iron Bedstead (single)
 1 Double and 3 Single Blankets
 1 Feather and 1 Flock Pillow
 1 Flock Mattress, 1 Hair do., 1 Straw do.
 1 Swing Looking Glass
 1 Dressing Table (maple)
 1 Towel Rack
 1 Bureau (maple)
 1 Green Rep Curtain
 1 Blind (Holland)
 2 Cane bottom Chairs
 1 Fender
 1 Carpet and 1 Hearth Rug
 Washing Utensils and 1 Chamber
 Washing Stand (fixture).

KITCHEN :—

Cooking Range
 1 Dresser (fixture)
 2 Bracket Tables do.
 1 Deal Table
 2 Cane bottomed Chairs (1 damaged)
 1 Clock
 2 Coffee Mills
 18 Sauce Pans
 1 Tea Pot
 1 Coffee Pot
 1 Large Tin Kettle
 1 Iron Kettle
 6 Baking Pans
 4 Frying Pans

4 Sieves (1 broken)
 2 Cullenders
 2 Skimmers
 2 Dippers
 6 Big Iron Spoons
 1 Small Saw
 1 Pair Scales
 1 Butcher's Hatchet
 2 Egg Beaters
 1 Fish Kettle
 1 Scraper
 1 Toasting Fork
 1 Iron Shovel
 1 Poker.

SERVANTS' HALL :—

1 Deal Cupboard (stained)
 2 Cane-bottomed Chairs
 1 Oval Deal Table and 1 Cover
 1 Fender
 1 Looking Glass
 1 Deal Bench
 1 Deal Table (stained)
 1 Carpet
 18 Liqueur Glasses
 23 Hock Glasses
 29 Port Wine Glasses
 39 Sherry Glasses
 33 Champagne Glasses
 34 Claret Glasses
 26 Finger Bowls
 15 Glass Custard Cups
 4 Water Bottles
 6 Water Bottle Glasses
 2 Glass Water Jugs and 4 Goblets
 30 Ice Cream Saucers
 6 Extra Lamp Bowls, Drops, &c.
 6 Soda Water Tumblers
 6 Tumblers
 2 Frosted Ice Jugs
 7 Glass Fruit Stands
 6 Green and Gilt large Breakfast Cups
 1 Glass Bowl
 6 Salt Cellars
 Tea Set, 17 Coffee Cups, 17 Tea Cups, 32 Saucers,
 2 Bread or Toast Plates, 1 Bowl
 Desert Set, 29 Plates, 10 Fruit Stands
 Breakfast Set, 10 Cups, 9 Saucers, 1 Bowl, 1 Milk
 Jug, 1 Plate with Cover, 5 Egg Cups.

PANTRY :—

2 Deal Tables (stained)
 4 Cane-bottom Chairs
 1 Deal Table
 1 Butler's Stand and Tray
 1 Bracket and Lamp
 1 Looking Glass
 10 Small Sherry Decanters
 6 Large Do. Do.
 1 Claret Jug
 1 Feather Duster
 5 White Jugs
 1 Bucket

LAMP ROOM :—

22 Large Lamps
 6 Small Do.
 1 Small Bracket Lamp
 3 Old Moderator Lamps (out of order)
 40 Lamp Chimneys
 2 Bedroom Coal Oil Lamps
 19 Glass Shades (one pattern)
 3 Do. Do.
 2 Coal Oil Tanks (1 useless)

BUTLER'S BEDROOM :—

1 Stove
1 Chair
1 Cupboard
1 Washing Stand (fixture)
1 Blind (Holland)
1 Straw Mattress
1 Pulu
1 Looking Glass

WASH HOUSE :—

2 Barrack Tables
1 Stove
1 Cane bottom Chair
2 Wooden Stools
1 Tin Boiler
1 „ Kettle
6 Tubs
1 Patent Wringer.

STAIRCASE AND PASSAGE :—

22 Brass Rods
Brussels Carpet on Staircase and Passages
3 Blinds (Holland)
1 Bracket Lamp and Frame.

FRONT BEDROOM :—

1 Carpet and Hearth Rug
1 Double Bedstead
1 Hair Spring Mattress
1 Pair White Blankets and 2 Single Blankets
1 Feather Bolster
1 „ Pillow
1 Counterpane
1 Centre Table and Cover
2 Cane bottom Chairs
1 Crimson rep covered Sofa
1 Marble top Washing Stand and Utensils
1 Water Bottle and Glass
1 Chest Drawers
1 Deal Table and cover
1 Looking Glass
1 Deal Cupboard (stained)
1 Fender
1 Towel Rack
1 Coal Oil Lamp
2 Sets crimson rep Curtains and Cornices
2 Blinds (Holland).

BEST BEDROOM :—

1 Double Iron Bedstead
1 Straw Mattress
1 Pulu
1 Feather Bolster
1 Hair Pillow
1 Feather Pillow
4 Pulu Pillows
6 Pair Blankets
1 Counterpane
1 Centre Table and Cover
1 Marble top Wash Stand and Washing Utensils
1 Water Bottle and Glass
1 Towel Rack
3 Cane bottom Chairs
1 Mahogany Wardrobe
1 Deal Table (stained) and 1 white Cover
1 Swing Looking Glass
1 Cheval
1 Carpet
1 Chintz covered Arm Chair
1 Fender and 1 Shovel
2 Set crimson rep Curtains and Cornices
2 Blinds (Holland)
1 Washing Set (complete) in Cupboard

DRESSING ROOM :—

1 Single Iron Bedstead
1 Straw Mattress
1 Pulu
1 Feather Pillow
4 Single Blankets
3 Cane bottom Chairs
1 Chintz covered Chair
1 Deal Table (stained)
1 Swing Looking Glass
1 Marble top Wash Stand
1 Basin and Jug
1 Chamber
1 Carpet
1 Towel Rack
1 Pair Chintz Curtains
1 Blind (Holland)

BATH ROOM :—

1 Bath (fixture)
1 Carpet
1 Cane bottom Chair (damaged)
1 Deal Table (stained)
1 Blind (Holland)

SOUTH BEDROOM :—

1 Double Iron Bedstead
1 Straw Mattress
1 Hair
1 Feather Bolster
1 Pair Blankets
1 Single Blanket
1 Counterpane
1 Stained Wardrobe
1 Oval Swing Looking Glass and Stand
1 Deal Table (stained) and 1 white Cover
1 „ Centre Table and 1 Cover
3 Cane bottom Chairs
1 Deal Table, Oil Cloth Cover
1 Set Washing Utensils, complete
1 Green rep covered Chair
1 Work Table
1 Towel Rack
1 Carpet
2 Pair Chintz Curtains
2 Blinds (Holland)
1 Small Mahogany Stool or Bench

SMALL BEDROOM :—

1 Single Wooden Bedstead or Stretcher
1 Straw Mattress
1 Pulu
1 Feather Pillow
1 Pulu
1 Green covered Settee
1 Marble top Wash Stand
1 Set Washing Utensils, complete
1 Water Bottle and Glass
1 Towel Rack
1 Deal Table (stained)
1 Swing Looking Glass
1 Commode (Chintz covered)
2 Cane bottom Chairs (1 damaged)
1 Chest of Drawers
1 Night Stool
1 Set Green Rep Curtains
1 Blind (Holland)

GOVERNOR'S BEDROOM :—

1 Double Bedstead with Spring Hair Mattress and Chintz Curtains
1 Pulu Mattress
2 Feather Pillows
3 Pairs Blankets

GOVERNOR'S BEDROOM :—*Continued.*

1 Counterpane
 1 Carpet
 1 Hearth Rug
 4 Cane bottom Chairs
 1 Chest Drawers
 1 Table
 1 Oval Swing Looking Glass
 1 Cheval Glass
 1 Walnut Wardrobe
 1 Washstand (Marble Top)
 1 Set Washing Utensils
 1 Towel Rack
 1 Marble Top Commode
 2 Pairs Chintz Curtains
 2 Blinds (Holland)

GOVERNOR'S DRESSING-ROOM :—

1 Maple Press
 1 Maple Table and Cover
 1 Swing Looking Glass
 1 Marble Top Wash Stand
 1 Set Washing Utensils
 1 Carpet
 2 Cane-bottom Chairs
 1 Small Table
 1 Towel Rack
 1 Lamp
 1 Blind (Holland)

GOVERNOR'S BATH-ROOM :—

1 Iron Bedstead
 1 Straw Mattress

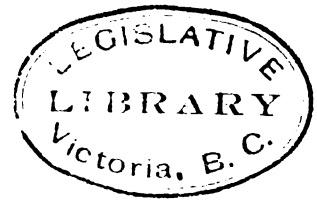
1 Flock Mattress
 1 Feather Pillow
 1 Deal Table (stained)
 1 Centre Table and 1 Cover
 1 Marble Top Wash Stand
 1 Set Washing Utensils
 1 Book Case
 1 Carpet
 1 pair Green Rep Curtains
 1 Looking Glass
 1 Cane-bottom Chair

CIRCULAR ROOM :—

1 Carpet
 1 Hearth Rug
 1 Centre Deal Table and Cover
 1 Oval Swing Looking Glass
 1 Chintz-covered Arm Chair
 1 Dark Green Rep-covered Chair
 1 Fender
 2 Cane-bottom Chairs
 2 Sets Chintz Curtains
 2 Blinds (Holland)

CUPBOARD IN PASSAGE :—

95 Large Plates
 30 Soup Do.
 7 Dishes
 4 Vegetable Dishes
 12 Small Side Do.
 1 Soup Tureen
 3 Sauce and Gravy Dishes



RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, of the estimated cost of all material and machinery in the Government Printing Office; distinguishing between material for consumption and material for operating; and showing what additions have been made to the plant since union with Canada.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office.

27th January, 1873.

ESTIMATED COST OF PRINTING MATERIAL.

MATERIAL FOR OPERATING.

2 Printing Presses	\$600 00
1 Paper Cutting Machine	125 00
2 Imposing Stones	150 00
23 Chases	200 00
16 Brass-bottomed Galleys.....	120 00
10 Wooden Galleys	40 00
Labor-saving Brass Rules	200 00
Metal Furniture and Quotations	80 00
Wooden Furniture, Side Sticks, Quoins, and Reglets	120 00
Leads	150 00
About 60 lbs. Pica	42 00
" 1200 " Small Pica	800 00
" 540 " Long Primer	378 00
" 600 " Brevier	120 00
" 80 " Nonpareil.....	56 00
" 100 " Great Primer	50 00
" 100 " Double Pica.....	50 00
Fancy and Jobbing Type	600 00
Sorts	100 00
124 Cases	200 00
11 Composing Sticks	25 00
8 Frames	160 00
1 Wetting Trough.....	30 00
8 Roller Frames	32 00
2 Ink Tables	30 00
1 Lead Cutter	10 00
1 Composition Kettle	20 00
1 Roller Mould	25 00
2 Saws	3 00
Office Furniture	107 50
	<hr/> \$4,923 50

MATERIAL FOR CONSUMPTION.

Ink	15 00
Paper	190 00
	<hr/> 205 00

TOTAL \$5,128 50

NOTE.—About \$1,000 of the above has been expended for material since union with Canada.

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly for an Account of Moneys expended in
1872, on Immigration.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

30th January, 1873.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON IMMIGRATION

During the Year 1872.

Expenses of Delegate to England	\$ 200 00	
Prize for Essay.....	250 00	
Expenses of Printing, Binding, and Publishing Essay	1,188 76	
Miscellaneous Expenses, Victoria	30 75	
Cereals, &c	21 25	
Newspapers for Agents, &c.....	55 30	
Maps of the Province	104 25	
Advertising.....	54 80	
Agent's Salary, San Francisco, 3 months	450 00	
Office Rent, " "	150 00	
Office Furniture, "	242 75	
Office Expenses, " Miscellaneous	40 09	
Expenses attending Lecture in San Francisco.....	40 00	
Boxes for Samples	34 50	
		\$ 2,862 45
To which may be added—		
Express Charges to be paid on Cereals from Upper Country.....	20 00	
Expenses of Agent in England, say Salary, 4 months, at £200 p ^a annum.....	323 33	
Office Expenses.....	250 00	
		593 33
TOTAL.....		\$ 3,455 78



RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, calling for a Statement of the amounts paid by the Government for all Printing done by other than the Government Printers.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

3rd February, 1873.

Paid to the Standard office, for printing portion of Water Survey Report \$50 00

RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for a Statement of all sums collected and expended for Road Tax in 1872.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office.
19th February, 1873.

RETURN OF AMOUNTS COLLECTED AND EXPENDED FOR ROAD TAX IN THE YEAR 1872.

DISTRICT.	AMOUNT COLLECTED.	AMOUNT EXPENDED.
Lake and Saanich	\$1,478 40	All.
Victoria	1,492 54	"
Esquimalt and Metchosin.....	1,456 50	"
Esquimalt Town.....	156 12	"
Comox	397 90	"
Nanaimo	1,732 45	"
Cowichan.....	891 13	"
Salt Spring Island.....	193 20	"
TOTAL	\$7,798 24	

CHARLES GOOD,
Assistant Provincial Secretary.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON DRAINAGE, DYKING AND IRRIGATION BILL.

The Committee to whom was referred the Dyking, Drainage and Irrigation Bill, beg leave to report as follows:

They met at the Hon. Mr. McCreight's rooms, on January 20th inst.

Present—Messrs. McCreight, Booth, Barnston, Robinson, DeCosmos and Armstrong.

On motion of Mr. McCreight, Mr. DeCosmos was appointed Chairman.

Mr. Barnston moved, and Mr. Armstrong seconded,—“That the Bill entitled ‘An Act to extend the ‘Public Works Act, 1872,’ and to promote the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands in British Columbia,” be divided into two parts, and that Section one to Section twenty-one inclusive, with necessary amendments, be made into one Bill, entitled “An Act to Amend the ‘Public Works Act, 1872.’”

Carried—Ayes, 4; Noes, 1.

Mr. Barnston moved, seconded by Mr. Booth,—“That the Committee report to the House the above resolution.”

Carried—Ayes, 4; Noes, 1.

Mr. Booth moved, seconded by Mr. Robinson,—“That a Dyking and Drainage Bill, embracing the following provisions, be recommended to the House:—

“1. That where the land is wholly owned by private parties, Dyking and Drainage may be managed by the appointment of Commissioners elected by two-thirds of the land-owners interested, with power to assess and collect enough to build and repair Dykes and Drains, &c.

“2. That where one-third or less of any land is owned by the Government, the Government may appoint one Commissioner to act with Commissioners appointed by the owners of the remaining two-thirds of the land; and such Commissioners shall manage the building and repair of Dykes and Drains, and have power to assess and collect money for the same.

“3. Where, as in the two last mentioned Sections, the voluntary principle of Dyking and Drainage obtains, and the owners of land to be Dyked and Drained raise one-third of the money necessary for Dyking and Draining the same, the Governor in Council may guarantee, if he thinks it to be advisable, the interest on the remaining two-thirds of the money, and, in case of default on the part of the land-owners in paying the interest, the Governor in Council to have power to assess and collect from the land a sufficient sum to meet the interest, &c.

“4. Government to take lands to Dyke and Drain (where the land is wholly, or nearly so, owned by the Government) in manner described in Dyking and Drainage, and Irrigation Bill referred to Committee.

“5. Government to have power to grant lands to persons or companies as a bonus for Dyking or Draining, and Irrigating the same.

“6. To provide power to pass drains through a neighbor's land, although objection has been made by the latter.”

All of the above is respectfully submitted.

A. DECOSMOS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON LAND ORDINANCE, 1870.

January 17th, 1873.

Present—Messrs. Humphreys, Bunster, Booth, Smithe, and the Chairman, Mr. Semlin.

Resolved, That we think it advisable to amend those sections of the Land Law of 1870 so as to simplify the granting of pre-emption records;

Also, to make definite in yards the length and breadth of the amount of the pre-emption where it is practicable to have such land rectangular in form.

That every Commissioner, and Deputy Commissioner, should have power to Register pre-emption records without reference to the Lands and Works Department.

That the occupation of a pre-emptor may be either by himself or his agent.

That free grants should be given upon the requisite improvements having been made.

That grants should be issued at any time upon the improvements having been made.

January 18th, 1873.

Present—Messrs. Semlin, Smithe, Booth, Humphreys; Mr. Semlin in the Chair.

That no Pastoral Leases should be granted on Vancouver Island, or islands adjacent thereto; but we recommend that Pastoral Leases of land on the Mainland should be granted, upon proper enquiry that such leases would not injure *bona fide* settlers settled in the vicinity of the land proposed to be leased, and that in such leases reservations should be made that any portion of the land leased susceptible of being used for agriculture may be pre-empted, and the pre-emptor may enter thereon, and pass and re-pass over the land leased without being deemed a trespasser.

That before records of water privileges should be granted, notice of the intention to apply for such record should be given to all *bona fide* settlers whose land may be affected by granting such record.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. A. SEMLIN, *Chairman*.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE MINING LAWS.

Your Committee have the honor to report:—

1. That, in the opinion of the Committee, it is highly desirable that the present Gold Mining Law of British Columbia should be changed.
2. That the system of granting leases of land for mining purposes should be abolished, and in lieu thereof, that it should be permitted to Miners to purchase and acquire by Crown Grant, any land, of which, under the existing law, a lease could be had, situate in a Mining District, on the basis of five acres to an individual, on such applicant therefor proving, to the satisfaction of the Government, that the sum of \$ per acre has been expended on the land applied for,
3. That the rights of intending purchasers should, prior to the Grant being issued to them, be secured to them by a simple record in the office of the Gold Commissioner of the District; and such rights should be transferable.
4. That in the case of ordinary Mining Claims, held under record, that the owners thereof should have the right to obtain a Crown Grant thereof, after expending the sum of \$250 per interest thereon.
5. That persons holding leases or claims by record should, if they desire, be permitted to come under the operation of the new law.
6. That discoverer's claims should extend from summit to summit.
7. That the system of acquiring water rights, in Mining Districts, should be assimilated, as far as possible, to the mode of acquiring water rights for irrigating agricultural lands.
8. That miners should be entitled to run a tunnel, for drainage purposes, through any occupied mining land, on compensating the owners of such land for any damage that they may sustain by the construction of such tunnel; and such tunnel, when completed, should be deemed to be a part of the claim of the person or persons by whom the same was run.
9. That the size of claims upon gold quartz ledges should be increased, and should be the same for an individual as for a company.

A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Chairman.

Victoria, 27th January, 1873.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON ROAD ORDINANCE EXTENSION BILL.

Your Committee beg to report, that having considered the Bill, and filled in the several blanks; they recommend that pastoral leases do pay two cents per acre; and that the Road Tax, as at present in force on Vancouver Island, be applied to the Mainland.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Committee Rooms,

January 24th, 1872.

C. A. SEMLIN,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE

Appointed to draft an Explanatory Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in respect to legalising Sales of Land in the Province, since 1870.

The "Land Ordinance, 1865," of the former Colony of British Columbia contained the following Clause:—

"20. Any person in possession of 160 acres of land as aforesaid may acquire the right to "pre-empt and hold any further tract of unsurveyed and unoccupied land contiguous thereto, not "exceeding 480 acres (and no more, either directly or indirectly, save with the express sanction "in writing of the Governor in that behalf) over and above the quantity of 160 acres aforesaid, "upon the payment to the Stipendiary Magistrate of the District of the sum of two shillings and "one penny per acre for the same, as by way of instalment of the purchase money to be ultimately "paid to the Government, after survey of the same land."

2. The "Land Ordinance, 1870," number 144 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, repeals the above mentioned "Land Ordinance, 1865," but contains the following provision in Clause 2: "but such repeal shall not prejudice or affect any rights acquired, or payments due, "or forfeitures or penalties incurred, prior to the passing of this Ordinance, in respect of any "land in this Colony."

3. After the passage of the said "Land Ordinance, 1870," the several Assistant Commissioners in British Columbia construed the last above mentioned provision in Clause 2 of the "Land Ordinance, 1870," as preserving the right of such persons as had pre-empted 160 acres under the "Land Ordinance, 1865" to purchase further tracts of contiguous land (as mentioned in section 20 of the said Ordinance of 1865), and accordingly, after the passage of the said "Land Ordinance, 1870," many persons who were in possession of land pre-empted under the "Land Ordinance, 1865," were permitted to purchase contiguous land and enter into possession thereof. Such purchasers were invariably required to pay, and did in fact pay, fifty cents per acre to the Government of British Columbia, on account of the block of land contiguous to their pre-emption claims so purchased by them, and in many instances substantial and costly improvements have been made on the land so purchased by them.

On the 2nd July, 1872, the Attorney-General of the Province gave the following opinion:

"Opinion of the Honorable the Attorney-General with respect to Pre-emptors taking up land in addition to their pre-emptions, under the Land Laws prior to the Act 1870.

"I understand the question upon which I am asked to advise, to be this:—Whether a person who has pre-empted land under "The Land Ordinance 1865," can, after the 20th of Oct., 1870 (the date at which "The Land Ordinance 1870," came into force), invoke the assistance of the 20th Section of the former Ordinance, and by payment of two shillings and one penny per acre, acquire the right to Pre-empt and hold a further tract of unsurveyed and unoccupied land contiguous thereto not exceeding 480 acres, &c.; and I am of opinion that he has not that privilege.

"As to such claims, if made since the 20th of July, 1871, I have already advised, having regard to the 11th Section of the Terms of Union, and I then had occasion to consider the present question, though it became unnecessary to give any decided opinion upon it.

"With respect to the general question, it seems plain that such alleged privileges cannot continue after the 20th October, 1870, unless preserved in "The Land Ordinance, 1870," by the words "but such repeal shall not prejudice or affect any rights acquired &c., prior to the "passing of this Ordinance;" and the question arises whether such person had, at that date, *acquired a right* within the meaning of those words, and of the 20th Section of the former Ordinance. The words of that section are "any person in possession of 160 acres of land aforesaid,

"may acquire the right to pre-empt and hold any further tract of unsurveyed and unoccupied land contiguous thereto, not exceeding 480 acres (and no more, either directly or indirectly, save with the express sanction, in writing, of the Governor in that behalf) over and above the quantity of 160 acres aforesaid, upon the payment to the Stipendiary Magistrate of the District, of the sum of two shillings and one penny per acre for the same, as by way of instalment of the purchase money to be ultimately paid to the Government, after the survey of the same land," and the meaning of "may acquire the right" &c., "upon the payment" &c., appears from decided cases, as well as the reason of the thing, to be that of the acquirement of the right, and the payment of the money, were to be concurrent acts, or that the pre-emptor might acquire the right upon the occasion of or at the time of payment, and not otherwise; and if this be the case no such right can now exist, except when payments were made or tendered prior to the 20th October, 1870.

"Not only does this appear to be the plain grammatical meaning of the words which we are bound to adopt, but inspection of these two Ordinances, I think, shows that such was the intention of the Legislature.

"The words 'may acquire the right to pre-empt,' are used in the 12th Section of 'The Land Ordinance, 1865,' where it also seems to be required that the applicant should previously or at least contemporaneously with his pre-emption, perform certain conditions, and this construction was placed upon a very similar section in the 'Vancouver Island Proclamation, 1862,' by the Supreme Court of British Columbia, in Dr. Trimble's case.

"Again in the 10th Section of 'The Land Ordinance, 1870,' it is provided that 'The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works may,' &c., 'survey Pre-emption Claims or purchased lands previous to the date of this Ordinance,' but there is silence as to such claims, thereafter to be recorded under the 20th Section of 'The Land Ordinance, 1865.'

"And, again, in the 25th Section of 'The Land Ordinance, 1870,' it is provided that a person occupying a Pre-emption Claim to the Eastward of the Cascade Range at the date of the framing of that Ordinance, if less than 230 acres, may, with the permission of the Commissioner, pre-empt contiguous land so as to make the total amount of his claim to 320 acres, in language which seems to be scarcely reconcilable with the continuance of a right to pre-empt the additional 480 acres as prescribed by the said 20th Section.

"It is observable that the right contemplated by the said 20th Section was in the first instance, at most an inchoate right; it was at any time before its exercise, liable to be defeated by the survey or occupation of the contiguous land; moreover as the object of 'The Land Ordinance, 1870,' was to hand over the Crown Lands of Vancouver Island to the Legislature and to require of Pre-emptors *bona fide* residence, if the Legislature had intended that a Pre-emptor under 'The Land Ordinance, 1865,' should continue to be entitled, after any lapse of time, to obtain, with the consent of the Governor, as much additional contiguous land as he wished, and that without personal residence, I think we should have found in the former Ordinance clear language to that effect.

"It may be worthy of consideration whether inasmuch as a different construction appears to have been placed upon these Ordinances, relief should not be sought from the Legislature as regards cases where hardship is likely to ensue.

"Attorney-General's Office,
2nd July, 1872."

"(Signed) J. F. McCREIGHT,
Attorney-General.

Immediately after the said opinion was given, the Provincial Government caused the before mentioned purchasers of land to be notified that they would be required to surrender the land purchased by them as aforesaid, and that the Government would refund to them the moneys paid by them therefor.

The Provincial Government holds itself disabled by the 11th Article of the Terms of Union to pass an Act legalizing the purchases made under the circumstances above set forth.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1873.

A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON LANDS NEAR

JAMES' BAY BRIDGE.

To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

Your Committee, appointed for the purpose of considering the practicability and expediency of deeding all that part of the Inlet east of the westerly side of James' Bay Bridge in the city of Victoria, to the City of Victoria, for the purpose of holding Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibitions, have the honor to report as follows:

1. They have ascertained that about eleven and one third acres of the said Inlet belongs to and the title is vested in the Crown.

2. That all the land above high water mark east of the said Inlet belongs to private individuals.

3. That they have been unable to ascertain whether the owners of the said lands contiguous to the Inlet possess the right to the water frontages to their respective property.

4. That they recommend the transfer of the said Inlet to the city of Victoria, for the purpose of holding Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibitions, provided that such transfer does not nor will not interfere with present existing rights.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BUNSTER,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON QUEEN CHARLOTTE COAL CO.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the right of the Queen Charlotte Coal Mining Company to a premium of £500 advertised in the *British Columbia Gazette* of January, A. D. 1865, beg leave to report that, whilst they are satisfied that the required amount of coal has been raised from the mine, they are unable to say that it has been proved to their satisfaction that the mine has been successfully worked.

J. F. McCREIGHT,
Chairman.

February 18th, 1873.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES.

The Committee on the subject of the Privileges of the Legislative Assembly, beg leave to report that whilst it seems that they now only enjoy such powers as are necessary to their existence and the proper exercise of their functions, it is proper they should be exempt from civil proceedings in respect of words spoken during the course of debate by members, or proceedings published by their order. Your Committee believe the Legislature cannot enact that criminal proceedings shall not be entertained for such matters.

They have directed a Bill to be framed accordingly.

J. F. McCREIGHT,
Chairman.

February, 18th, 1873.

ADDRESS TO LORD DUFFERIN.

To the Right Honorable Sir FREDERICK TEMPLE, Earl of Dufferin, Viscount and Baron Clandeboye of Clandeboye in the County Down in the Peerage of the United Kingdom Baron Dufferin and Clandeboye of Ballyleidy and Killeleagh in the County Down, in the Peerage of Ireland, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor-General of Canada.

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, respectfully beg leave to approach your Excellency, to express our gratification at your assumption of the government of this Dominion.

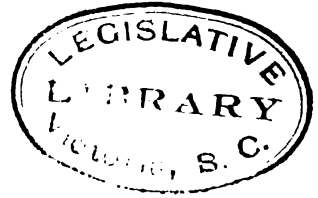
The cordial welcome which greeted your Excellency upon your arrival in the country, as well as the hearty reception everywhere accorded, will have convinced your Excellency of the loyal devotion cherished by the people of Canada towards our Most Gracious Sovereign, and of the gratitude they feel to Her Majesty for appointing as Her Representative in the Dominion so eminent a statesman and so accomplished a scholar.

It is the earnest hope of this Assembly that your Excellency may be enabled at no remote period to honor this the youngest and most distant Province of the Dominion with your presence; and we feel assured that a no less hearty and loyal welcome awaits your Excellency on the shores of the Pacific than has been extended by the Atlantic Provinces.

That your Excellency's residence in this young British Empire may prove agreeable to you personally, and that your Excellency's administration may be peaceful and eminently conducive to the moral and material prosperity of the country and wellbeing of the people, is the heartfelt wish and earnest prayer of this Assembly.

JAMES TRIMBLE,

Speaker.



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